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JOINT POLICY POSSIBLE

London, Aug. 17. Government sources said that they did not consider President Harry Truman's reported refusal to participate in the plan to divide Palestine would preclude eventual Anglo-American agreement on a joint policy for the Holy Land.

Informed circles said they understood that the President expressed willingness to discuss a Palestine solution again after Britain complete her conference with Jewish and Arab leaders. The meetings are now in the making.

A Colonial Office spokesman declared that Britain would not be able to put the division plan into effect by herself largely because of the cost.—Associated Press.

"Prepare for Action"

Jerusalem, Aug. 17. The deportation of 1,400 Jewish illegal immigrants in ships lying off Haifa harbour was expected to take place today following the arrival back at Haifa last night of the Liberty ships "Empire Heywood" and "Empire Rival".

These ships have returned from Cyprus after disembarking 1,300 Jewish illegal immigrants there. The Jewish resistance movement's secret radio "The Voice of Israel" broadening last night at half hourly intervals called on Haifa's 70,000 Jewish population to "prepare for action".—Reuter.

Stop It

London, Aug. 17. The immediate task of the British Government in handling the illegal immigration traffic into Palestine is being "squarely met," states the well-known Independent weekly review, the "Economist." It was time, the "Economist" states, that the Government should stop the flow of Jews into Palestine.—Reuter.

Happy

Famagusta, Aug. 17. The 1,300 Jewish illegal immigrants shipped from Haifa to Cyprus and interned in the Caradles camp near Famagusta are reasonably happy and cheerful, Mr. C. R. C. Donald, Welfare Officer of the camp, said today.

The Jews were nervous when they arrived but were reassured when they saw the camp, he said. They were doing everything possible to help in its smooth running.

Forty-six people were admitted to the casualty reception station at Caradles yesterday but seven of them left today. Twenty more serious cases were admitted to the 57th General Hospital in Nicosia and one woman and a three-week-old baby are in the civil hospital at Famagusta.—Reuter.

No Cooperation

Paris, Aug. 17. Dr. Goldman, member of the Jewish Agency Executive, speaking on behalf of the Jewish Agency, told Reuter tonight: "The programme of the Jewish Agency is based on the demand for a Jewish state in Palestine. The Jewish Agency will not attend any conference based on a plan for the cantonisation of Palestine."—Reuter.

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RIOTS IN CALCUTTA 100 Die In Street Clashes Department Store Set On Fire

BRITISH DOUBTS

New York, Aug. 17. Britain opposed the admission of Albania as a member of the United Nations when her application came before the Security Council Membership Committee here today.

The British delegate said: "The Government of the United Kingdom has general doubts as to whether Albania has the normal conception of her duties in international relations."—Reuter.

Jews Sent To Prison For Life

Jerusalem, Aug. 17. Singing loudly in defiance, 18 Jewish youths were sentenced to death and four young Jewish women to life imprisonment yesterday for the bomb raid on the Haifa railway shops.

Rumours immediately spread that the Jewish underground would strike back. The 22 members of the Stern Gang were convicted by the Haifa military court of staging the night raid several weeks ago. Some Jews here declared that the "Stern Gang won't let it pass" and expressed fears that the underground might strike in an attempt to free the condemned men or avenge them, if they are hanged.

The sentences must still be reviewed by the British High Command. Another rumour was that thousands of Jews are likely to stage hunger strikes in protest against the sentences.

When the 22 defendants were led into the courtroom, their loud singing of the Jewish "National Anthem" drowned out the reading of their sentences. They had demanded treatment as prisoners-of-war.

They were captured at a road-block by British forces a few minutes after the raid on the Haifa shops. One highly placed Jew asserted that "hundreds, and perhaps thousands of lives will be saved if these unjust sentences are commuted. Whatever happens, these boys are already heroes in the eyes of a great mass of Jewish youths. If they are hanged, they will be martyrs."—Associated Press.

Hungary Hit Them In The Scullery

Budapest, Aug. 17. The Hungarian Government, in a move described as an attempt to embarrass the Allies, has just delivered a blow which strikes the occupation forces right square in the scullery.

Brigadier General George W. Weems, of the United States Military Mission, revealed today that the Russians, the British and the Americans have been told that Hungary will no longer provide cooks, waiters and dishwashers for the several Allied messes.

Furthermore the order, signed by General Kovacs, Chief Economic Secretary in the Hungarian Reparations Office, ordered that supplies of beer, wine, cognac and "balluka" be discontinued immediately.

Said Brig. Gen. Weems, "I am not going to let them push us around."

He conceded, however, that there could be some reductions in kitchen personnel and beverages without much embarrassment to the British and Americans. The Russians, apparently, would be little affected, since they can feed themselves out of their occupation army commissary.

Nevertheless, the Russians took the initiative today in visible.

Calcutta, Aug. 17. The situation in Calcutta remained tense this morning, after yesterday's rioting in which nearly 100 persons were killed and about 900 injured. Although the city quietened down after midnight, stray cases of looting and rioting have been reported.

The curfew clamped down on the city at nine o'clock last night was lifted at four o'clock this morning, but the tram and bus services have not yet resumed. The city fire brigades reported that they attended 400 calls yesterday—the result of arson.

British troops were called out yesterday to aid the civil police who were vainly trying to hold the official communists on the occasion of "direct action" day, proclaimed by the All-India Muslim League in protest against the British independence plan for India, which does not concede to their demand for a Pakistan (separate Muslim state).

Police opened fire in some cases to disperse the crowds and casualties which have peaked Calcutta hospitals included 20 cases with bullet wounds, but most wounds resulted from stabbing from behind.

Injuries were also caused by lathi (steel reinforced bamboo poles) blows and brickbats, bottles and other missiles hurled by rival groups of rioters.

Mosque Attacked
Looters also got busy under cover of the disorders and large numbers of Hindu and Moslem shops, including a well-known department store, were cleared out, and set on fire. The buildings attacked included a Mosque and the house of Dr. C. B. Roy, a Congress leader who was not in the city.

Other crowds attacked the Calcutta offices of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee and the premises of two pro-Congress newspapers, the "Hindustan Standard" and the "Ananda Bazar Patrika."

All Government offices, banks and business houses were closed yesterday throughout Bengal as the provincial government—Moslem Administration—had proclaimed a holiday in order to minimise the risk and in the interests of peace.—Reuter.

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NEWSPAPERS BY AIR

Brussels, Aug. 17. British newspapers will arrive in the Belgian capital by breakfast time with the resumption, announced today by the Belgian Air Line, of the pre-war two-way night service for the transport of mails and goods between London and Brussels.—Reuter.

Earlier in the day, the General made calls on various public and other institutions, including the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Engineers Institute, the Shung Ching and Chung Shing Benevolent Associations and others. At 11.30 a.m. he attended a large reception given in his honour by the Chinese community in the Hong Kong Hotel grill room.

In a speech thanking his hosts, General Chang said that the food situation in Kwangtung had improved considerably with the repatriation of enemy prisoners-of-war; and the reduction of the armed establishment (which at one time stood at 300,000). Pacification work and the improvement of communications had also made much headway.

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"Who are responsible for this state of affairs?" asked General Chang. "I need not tell you for you all know, and I can only appeal to one and all to place the interests of the nation above everything else to work for the peace China so urgently needs for her rehabilitation and recovery."

PROHIBITED EXPORTS

Apples of all kinds have been added to the list of prohibited exports. Also gazetted yesterday was an Order requiring that "any goods of the prohibited export list shall when being transported in the New Territories be carried in such a manner that the nature of such goods shall at all times be visible."

British Toys For Export

London, Aug. 17. British toys will bring new experience for many children abroad.

Built of welded tubular steel they will stand up to plenty of knocking about. Mechanical toys which are being produced in the Lines Brothers Toy Factory in South London have all got this tough British quality.

There are toy cars, scooters, tricycles, trains, lorries, jeeps and three-wheel pedalers, which have chromium handles and handbrake fittings and complete ballbearing fittings.

The factory, which turned out Sten guns and aircraft parts during the war, has developed a large welding plant. Little Ford and Vauxhall saloons are almost exact copies of the original.—Reuter.

Gen. Chang's Appeal

General Chang Fa-kuei ended his two-day visit to the Colony yesterday at 2.30 p.m. when he and Madame Chang took leave of His Excellency the Governor and a host of friends and officials at Queen's Pier.

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NUERNBERG, AUG. 17.

The War Crimes Tribunal yesterday heard defence documents introduced by counsel for the indicted Nazi organizations and then adjourned until Monday. The Tribunal announced it would sit in closed session on Monday afternoon.—Associated Press.

"LOVING MOTHER"

Tokyo, Aug. 17. An American soldier, sentenced to five years' hard labour here, notified his sweet-heart in the United States. She replied: "Dear Albert, I could never wait five years for you. Please try to understand. I have married your father. Good luck and best wishes, your loving mother."

The letter was published by the United States Army newspaper "Stars and Stripes."—Associated Press.

Hurley Is Outraged

Santa Fe, N.M., Aug. 17.

Maj.-Gen. Patrick Hurley, former U.S. Ambassador to China, expressed outraged surprise today at "suggestions by spokesmen from Moscow that the United States sought to enrich herself in war."

General Hurley, commenting on the Paris Conference, said that the leaders of the Communist Government in Russia know that it is not the fact, but they do not hesitate in their reckless utterances.

"Where would Russia be today if we had not gone to her aid? We sent more than \$12,000,000,000 in Lend-Lease supplies to our Russian ally. We sent planes, tanks, tractors, trucks, food and supplies of all kinds."

"I saw them myself. I was there."—Associated Press.

DEATH SENTENCE

Nuremberg, Aug. 17. A 28-year-old Negro soldier, James Deven, of the United States Army stationed in Nuremberg, was sentenced to death by hanging today for murder of two United States soldiers, who were riding home from a party at midnight on May 10.—Reuter.

Challenges To Trieste Decision

Paris, Aug. 17. All amendments challenging the Big Four draft decision on Trieste will have to be submitted to the Italian Political Committee of the Paris Conference by next Tuesday, it was decided today.

Three precedents which may speed up the work of the committee—six of which met for the first time today to elect officers—were created this afternoon by Mr. Lief Egeland, of South Africa, chairman of the Italian Political and Territorial Committee, which is likely to become the conference battleground over Trieste:

1. Tuesday is the deadline for all delegations' amendments to those clauses in the Italian treaty draft, which the committee will have to examine and which include the Yugoslav-Italian frontier problems.

2. The treaty draft will be examined point by point.

3. Italian representation inside the committee shall be limited in the first place to submission of a written memorandum, with the right for the committee to call in an Italian representative at any subsequent stage of the discussion.

The possibility of another general discussion of the kind which have turned recent meetings into sharp Big Four encounters—looms over tomorrow's plenary session, at which Albania, Egypt, Cuba and Mexico will be heard.

How much discussion will be provoked by the statements of these four countries—which have sought and obtained the right to a hearing without the status of full conference members—is still anybody's guess, but both Albania and Egypt are likely to raise controversial points.

Mr. Vyshinsky's contention that a distinction should be

Sit There All Day Going Yah Yah

Paris, Aug. 17. Leaders of some of the Western powers, replying in Litter words to recent utterances of Russian delegates Molotov and Vishinsky, say the Soviets are using the Paris Peace Conference as a board for Communist propaganda.

The Russians and most members of the Slavic delegations do not encourage interviews and do not air their opinions outside the conference so their views cannot be given.

But it is no exaggeration to say that diplomats of the Western delegations are exasperated. One gloomy member of a British Commonwealth peace delegation said today: "I don't know if diplomats are ever disillusioned, but if this Peace Conference doesn't disillusion them, then they can't be disillusioned."

Then he added as an afterthought: "This is like no peace conference I ever heard about—in fact, I sometimes wonder if it is really a peace conference."

This is just one man's opinion but in varying terms one gets his reaction from almost any group of delegates representing the Western nations.

A Long Game

Dispatches by Tass, Soviet official news agency, criticizing the actions of U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes during his three-day term as chairman of the conference and darkly hinting of revolt in the Australian delegation because Dr. H. Evatt acts as "loudspeaker of the big powers" have not added to good following.

"The Russians seem determined to play every pawn," said the Canadian delegate today. "It looks like a very long game."

United States Senator Tom Connally, Democrat, Texas, also to Mr. Byrnes, today described the tedious work of delegate in this manner: "You sit there all day going 'yah yah'."

The Chinese are non-committal, but it is no exaggeration to say the diplomats of the Western powers are exasperated.

Snorted one British delegate: "Progress? What progress? We've been arguing nearly three weeks and haven't even tackled the first peace treaty."—Associated Press.

Ambassadors Busy In Turkey

Ankara, Aug. 17.

The British Ambassador, Sir David Victor Kelly, and the United States Ambassador, Mr. Edward Wilson, yesterday had a long discussion with the Turkish Minister, Hasan Bakar.

Their talks are believed to have been connected with the Soviet note, asking for a revision of the 1936 Montreux Convention and a share of the Dardanelles defence.

Reports in Ankara to-night said that the Turkish reply to the Soviet note has been typed out and would be delivered today or to-morrow to the Soviet Ambassador in Turkey.

No official account of the contents of the Turkish reply has yet been given. The Ankara radio to-night reported "great activity" at the Turkish Foreign Office.

The French Ambassador in Turkey had also called on the Turkish Foreign Minister, and the Dutch and Italian Legation Counsellors and other diplomats had been seen seeing various officials of the Foreign Ministry.

Political quarters in Ankara expect Turkey to reject the Russian suggestion for joint Russo-Turkish control over the Straits defence and some believe that the Anglo-Saxon powers are in agreement with Turkey on this point.—Reuter.

U.S. Note

Washington, Aug. 17. Under-Secretary of State Acheson said today the United States probably will send a note to Russia giving American reaction to Moscow's demands on the Dardanelles, and he strongly indicated that it will expose the demands.

American policy is now being formulated and Acheson said he hoped very soon to express publicly the United States position.

At the same time, he told a news conference he could see no reason why the previous statement of Secretary of State James F. Byrnes favouring unlimited access of Russian ships to the Dardanelles but implying opposition to any Soviet bases there, should be revised.—Associated Press.

RECORD TRIP

Southampton, Aug. 17. The 16,552-ton John Ericsson, United States Line motor vessel, made her record crossing from New York in eight days and six hours when she docked at Southampton today.

The Ericsson leaves tomorrow for Le Havre to return here on Sunday and go to Elbe before returning to New York.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

General situation:—Pressure remains highest to the north-east of Japan and over the Dutch East Indies, and is low over China and is a trough extending to the east of Japan.

The typhoon was centred about 600 miles to the east-south-east of Shanghai at about 0000 hours (G.M.T.) and was moving north-west at 10 knots.

Today's forecast:—Light, south-east to east winds. Weather fair with occasional showers in the morning.

Yesterday's temperature:—Maximum: 85.5 deg. Minimum: 78.6 deg. Rainfall: 2.035 inches. Sunshine: 0.8 hours. Max. Rel. Humidity: 90 per cent.

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MARRIAGE

LOWE-RANKIN—On 17th August 1946 at St. Joseph's Church, Hong Kong, Cecil Fabris Denny Lowe, son of the late A. D. Lowe and Mrs. G. A. Ingram to Katharine Mary Helen Rankin, daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Rankin.

FERRY STRIKE

The ferry strike has now dragged on for three weeks and seems as far from solution as ever.

The odd behaviour of the strikers in coming to virtual agreement on compromise proposals and then repudiating the whole arrangement requires explanation, as does failure of Government to pursue more closely their offer to operate the ferries under Government control until such time as they come to terms with the companies.

The inconvenience to the travelling public caused by the protracted strike is such that a suggestion of this kind deserved to be looked into. Moreover, we may be quite sure that the naval officers now maintaining a service with two ferry craft do not relish the role of strike-breakers, and that they, certainly, would welcome what seems, on the surface, to be an extremely sensible way out of the immediate difficulty.

The negotiations at the time of writing were still snarled on the decision of the strikers to revert to their demand for a substantial increase in the basic rate of wages, and without going into the justice or otherwise of the demand on the economic level, there is strong suspicion that the men are today guided less by their own inclinations than by outside pressure. This is particularly unfortunate, because when politics enter the door, sympathy flies out of the window.

It is possible to support the legitimate claims of labour to improved conditions when it can be shown that grievance is justified. It would be a pity if the men spoiled a good case by a pointless intransigence.

PRICE CONTROL

The campaign against profiteering now being carried on by the Price Control Inspectors of the Department of Supplies, Trade and Industry should have a salutary effect. Every day a fresh batch of offenders is brought into Court and in several cases the fines have been severe.

This, of course, is the only effective method of establishing price control in practice as well as theory, though half its value may well be lost if there is any further such nonsense as failure to press a charge because the article overcharged is not an article of food.

To draw such distinctions is ridiculous. Either an article has had a ceiling price fixed or it hasn't. If it has, the offence is the same whether the commodity be soap, sugar or sealing-wax.

There is only one point in criticism of the conduct of the campaign in general. In one or two cases there has been a suggestion that the Price Control Inspectors may have acted as agents provocateurs, and it is highly questionable whether these tactics are either desirable or necessary.

There is such an enormous scope for cutting into profiteering which is open and flagrant that time can be better spent that way than in trying to track down café proprietors who can be persuaded to sell a tin of jam. What is more, even mild trickery is to be deprecated for the reason that it usually goes or tends to go with other forms of jiggery-pokery.

HOW THE WORLD GOT THE STORY OF THE CAIRO CONFERENCE

SECRETS OF THE CENSORSHIP

By REAR-ADMIRAL GEORGE

P. THOMSON, Chief Press Censor

Looking after Very Important Personages is a job that takes many forms. My first attempt at it was in 1924. I was at Malta when I was told that the late Queen Marie of Rumania wished to be shown over the biggest submarine in the world, which I then commanded.

I had the submarine polished up until everything that would shine was shining, and stationed a rating in the forward compartment with orders to answer any questions Her Majesty might ask about the torpedo tubes.

Entrance to the submarine was by a vertical ladder which led into this forward compartment, and when Queen Marie arrived I explained this to her. She obviously did not like the idea at all. But when she realised that there was no other means of getting in she prepared, after some hesitation, to climb down.

Just as she gathered up her skirt for the descent, a broad Scots voice came up from below: "It's a'reight, mum, ah'm no' lookin'."

When I was Chief Press Censor I had to look after V.I.P.s in a different way. The main problem was to prevent the enemy bombing buildings in which they were attending functions.

This form of protection was limited in Great Britain to the King and Queen, Queen Mary and the Princesses, the Prime Minister, and the heads of Allied States.

Always Forbidden

It was always forbidden to say they were in a particular place until 15 minutes after they had left it—even when the King and Queen visited me in the censorship department to see how it worked!

When they visited places in the provinces, editors were told at what time the fact could be published—often not until they had returned to London. Mention of their future movements was always banned. For instance, one could not pass: "Mr. Churchill will address the House at noon next Thursday."

Necessary though these restrictions no doubt were, they did have the unfortunate effect of preventing the public from fully realising the wonderful work done so untiringly by the King and Queen.

The prerogation of Parliament could never be mentioned, for the enemy knew as well as we did that on the day after Parliament is prorogued the King opens a new session.

One peculiar problem was the investitures at Buckingham Palace, for the King held them twice a week on fixed days. If, therefore, we said that the news could be published at a certain period afterwards (say two days) the enemy would soon tumble to what was happening. So we arranged with the newspapers that investitures should be released at varying intervals and always referred to as "a recent investiture" or "an investiture last week."

We had to stop all reference to the fact that Mr. Neville Chamberlain's funeral was taking place in London (obviously a number of V.I.P.s would be there) and tried to mislead the Germans by news of the memorial service to be held in Birmingham.

Confidential Memo

In the same way a confidential memo. was sent to editors in 1940:

"Please do not mention where the Prime Minister's grandchild was born." It would have been obvious to the Germans that he would probably be visiting the place.

On "Battle of Britain" anniversary Sunday, 1943, three services at St. Paul's Cathedral were announced in the Press. Actually there were four. The one not mentioned was that attended by the King and members of the Government.

It is often thought that Ministers flying to the Middle East or other foreign destinations had heavy fighter escort. In fact, over most of the route they had none—secrecy was their defence.

Hence it was usually forbidden to say whether Mr. Churchill travelled by sea or air. And in 1943 we were ordered to "stop" anything about the kind of plane he used, includ-

ing the fact that he no longer flew in the Liberator aboard which his earlier journeys were made.

Mr. Churchill himself observed the security regulations with a touch of humour, once announcing: "Now that I am leaving the place where I have been staying for an unknown destination....."

Ridiculous Lengths

Sometimes precautions were taken to what I thought were ridiculous lengths. When Inspector Walter Thompson, Mr. Churchill's bodyguard, had an accident with a revolver in 1945 and was taken to hospital with leg wounds the Press were asked not to mention the mishap, "as the nature of his present duties makes it very undesirable to give publicity to the accident." I must admit I cannot see why.

Two days later editors were told that "Inspector Thompson's accident may now be referred to but not his connection with the Prime Minister." Several papers gave a paragraph on the subject in that form. But the fact that he was Mr. Churchill's bodyguard had been publicised previously. Surely the Germans could add up 2 plus 2?

Of course, once you have a censorship there is always someone who wants to stop everything. Some Government departments almost had an obsession that what they were doing was highly secret and were very annoyed with me when I was opposed to "Stops" (withholding release) covering things they did not want published.

Is there a genuine security objection? I would ask. Even with the armed forces any cases of real grievances, such as bad food, should be ventilated and not hushed up, I maintained.

"Stet"

Hundreds of deleted passages I have marked "stet" ("Let it stand") because I could not see that there were proper grounds for secrecy. In fact, the P.S. of a letter from a former censor last week asked me: "Did you know we always called you 'Stet Thomson'?"

Scores of important people approached me to put a "Stop" on their movements. Always I replied: "You are not covered by the Defence Notices, so I cannot do it." In the case of high American officials whose movements were banned in the United States, our editors were asked to comply.

If such a request were made, editors always co-operated—indeed, they were consistently very good in helping us to protect V.I.P.s. Once a correspondent wrote a story which passed the censor and which would have set the German Secret Service on its toes had the story actually been published.

lished by the editor, who was technically entitled to do so.

It was when Mr. Eden, then Foreign Secretary, had gone on his first official visit to Moscow to discuss matters of the greatest importance with our new Ally.

A Slip Up

The correspondent had been writing on some matter of diplomacy which had no direct bearing on Mr. Eden's visit. Acting on his own knowledge—which knowledge he forgot for the moment was not generally shared—he wrote:

"This question.... (it probably had something to do with some Balkan frontier adjustment) cannot of course be settled until Mr. Eden's return from Moscow."

In that form it slipped past the censor. It was, in fact, put into type and almost printed. Fortunately, the editor of the newspaper concerned recognised the danger and immediately questioned whether the story had passed the censor.

He was assured by his staff, and rightly so, that it had, but, still not satisfied, he held the story until he had consulted the senior censor of the Ministry of Information on duty that night. He was told that the phrase had slipped through by error, and he was asked immediately to kill the story, which, of course, he did.

On that occasion secrecy was kept. But on another, and greater, occasion precautions broke down.

Late in 1943 the world was filled with speculation about a meeting of the Big Three, though no one knew when or where it would take place.

About the middle of November a paragraph appeared in a Cairo French-language evening paper that guests at the famous Mena House Hotel near the Pyramids had been told they must leave within three days as the hotel was wanted for official purposes.

This news was telegraphed abroad before instructions to "Stop" it reached the Cairo censor. It was published in America and in Britain; as soon as it appeared I had orders not to allow any further references to the matter.

High Feeling

Meanwhile British and American troops were building a perimeter to cut off the hotel and laying special telephone wires. People living near the hotel were told that their houses would be requisitioned for a month.

From then on there was complete stoppage of news cables from Cairo that might suggest that a conference was to be held there. But some 70 British and American correspondents were in the Egyptian capital by this time; they were not allowed within the Mena

perimeter, which caused a great deal of high feeling, but were supplied with bits of news (which had no real bearing on the subject-matter of the conference) from British and American official observers. Information obtained this way had to be kept until its release was authorised.

Never had such security precautions been taken before. All the same, a good many people in Cairo had, inevitably, a shrewd idea of what was going on. It is possible that some may have seen Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek when they drove to see the historic citadel built by Saladin, though, of course, no other visitors were allowed in while they were there.

However that may be, my senior censor on duty on November 20 found the world quivering with rumours about the conference.

From Berne came a telegram saying that a conference was being held and that Mr. Eden was there.

From Stockholm came a message saying that Chiang Kai-shek was there.

From Berlin and Berne followed messages to the same effect.

From Stockholm came another story that Dr. Benes was there.

From a whole series of neutral countries came statements that the conference was in Cairo.

Ankara Message

From Ankara came a message that the U.S. Ambassador to Turkey had caught the train to Teheran. Hence it was deduced that the statesmen were going on to the Persian capital.

Now all this was very difficult from the censor's point of view, for the normal rule was that messages under a foreign data-line should be passed, for the simple reason that news available in neutral countries could be obtained by the Germans just as easily as by the Allies.

On the evening of November 29 the United Press of America sent through London a transit message to New York from Lisbon:

"ACCORDING TO TRAVELLERS, CHURCHILL AND ROOSEVELT HAVE BEEN IN CAIRO FOR SEVERAL DAYS, AND STALIN IS EN ROUTE TO MEET THEM AT TEHERAN."

A copy of this message was submitted to the censor by the British United Press for issue to the British Press, and was then released to the newspapers with a chit saying: "For reasons which will doubtless be fully appreciated it is hoped you will not publish this message."

The following afternoon I was able to tell the censors that as the British newspapers were definitely playing ball we could discontinue the farce of passing foreign date-line messages for home consumption with this chit and simply hold them. I also told them that the conference was actually over.

Reuter Hullabaloo

Half an hour after that Reuters rang up the senior censor and read to him a cable they had received from Lisbon announcing that the Cairo conference had been held.

This was a foreign date-line message. The conference was over. There was no military security involved. The censor therefore passed it for transmission to Reuters' clients overseas. In any case, the United Press had already had a similar, if less emphatic, message.

Besides, had the message arrived half an hour earlier, it would have been passed for the British Press too with a "It is hoped you won't use it" chit.

The censor undoubtedly acted within his rights.

But the result was that the National Broadcasting Company of America was able to announce the conference to the world.

Meanwhile the British public knew nothing about it.

And the British and American correspondents, all duly accredited, sat fuming in Cairo, unable to send a word and waiting for the word "go" intended to provide a simultaneous release in London, New York, and Moscow.

The hullabaloo was terrific. (Continued on Page 3)

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



CHURCH NOTICES

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL
Garden Road.
To-day: 9th Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion, 7.15 a.m. 8 a.m. 9 a.m. (Sung) Noon & 7.30 p.m. Service for the Forces 10 a.m. Matins & Sermon 11 a.m. Preacher: The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Hongkong, Evensong & Sermon 6.30 p.m. Preacher: The Rev. G. H. Lipscomb. Senior Chaplain Land Forces Headquarters. Daily service at 7.30 a.m. Wednesday & Friday, choir practice in the Cathedral at 5.30 p.m. Thursday, Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m.

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Nathan Road, Kowloon.
Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 11.15 a.m. (Sung). Matins at 10.15 a.m. Preacher: The Rev. A. Collichaw. Evensong at 6.30 p.m. Preacher: The Rev. T. Ryder. R.A.F. Thursday, choir practice at 7 p.m. Friday, Bible class in the Vicarage at 8 p.m.

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Kowloon Tong.
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At St. Joseph's Church, Holy Mass at 9.30 a.m. At the Catholic Centre, Holy Mass at 5.30 p.m.

CATHOLIC CENTRE CHAPEL
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THE CATHEDRAL
(16, Chalmers Rd. Tel. 22674)
Morning Services: At 6.00 Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 7.00 Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 8.00 Choral Mass (sermon in English); at 10.00 Choral Mass (sermon in English); at 11.00 Choral Mass (sermon in English); at 1.00 p.m. Catechism classes; at 5.30 p.m. Benediction. Weekdays: Masses at 6.00, 7.00 & 7.30 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
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At 8.30 a.m. Choral Mass, Sermon in English and Benediction. Saturdays, Confessions will be heard in the afternoon. Weekdays, Holy Mass at 8.00 a.m.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH
(Happy Valley, Tel. 27807)
At 6.30 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 7.30 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 9.00 a.m. Choral Mass (sermon in English). Weekdays: Holy Mass at 7.00 a.m.

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Morning Services: At 6.30 Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 7.30 Holy Mass (sermon in English & Chinese); at 8.30 Choral Mass (sermon in English) and Benediction: at 10.00 Holy Mass (sermon in English). At 2.15 p.m. Catechism in Chinese and Benediction. Thursday, At 6.00 p.m. Meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society. Weekdays, Masses at 6.30 & 7.30 a.m.

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At 6.45 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 8.00 a.m.

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



TRUMAN ON PALESTINE

Hopes For Solution By Agreement With Arabs And The Jews!

Proposing New Legislation

Washington, Aug. 17.

President Truman in a statement tonight expressed a hope that as a result of the British conferences with the Jews and Arabs a "fair solution of the problem of Palestine can be found and immediate steps taken to alleviate the situation of displaced Jews."

The President said that he was contemplating sending to the United States Congress special legislation for entry into the United States for a fixed number of displaced persons from Europe including Jews.

The statement said that the United States Government "has not presented any plan of its own for a solution of the problem" though the President had exchanged views with the British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee on the question.

The statement added: "It is clear that no settlement of the Palestine problems can be achieved which will be fully satisfactory to all the parties concerned and that if this problem is to be solved in a manner which will bring peace and prosperity to Palestine it must be approached in a spirit of conciliation. It is also evident that the solution of the Palestine problem will not in itself solve the problem of hundreds of thousands of displaced persons in Europe."

Secrets Of The Censorship

(Continued from Page 2)

The Americans wanted to know, in no uncertain terms, why we had passed the message.

The correspondents in Cairo wanted to know why and how the news had leaked out elsewhere while they could send nothing.

Elmer Davis, head of the U.S. Office of War Information, accused Reuters of breaking the release time.

Reuters replied that they had done nothing of the sort.

It was then said that Douglas Brown, Reuters's Lisbon man, had obtained the news from Tommy Chao, another Reuters man, who was travelling with a Chinese good-will mission which passed through Cairo and Lisbon on its way to London.

Reuters replied that the story was obtained by perfectly legitimate methods. And that as far as the inquiry into the mystery ever got.

But two points I must make. Reuters were perfectly entitled to obtain any news they could in Lisbon. And the censor's action in passing it for onward transmission was in accordance with general instructions.

Fundamental

It had been previously laid down as fundamental British policy that censorship could not be treated as imposed for preventing scoops or initiative by newspaper correspondents or avoiding embarrassment to British or other officials. The censorship could only intervene on grounds of military security.

All the same, I had a few more grey hairs by the time the whole affair was buried.

I am not in any way questioning the decision of the authorities that the greatest secrecy was necessary when Big Three conferences were held, but it certainly did result in many vivid stories of the statesmen not being revealed.

For instance, when one session finished and they were leaning back in their chairs, Stalin said through his interpreter: "You have said a great many unkind things about me in the past, Mr. Churchill."

"Ah," replied Winston, "but you weren't on our side then." Stalin roared with laughter.

On another occasion, after they had broken up for the night, President Roosevelt remembered something he particularly wanted to say to Mr. Churchill.

So he had himself taken to the Premier's bedroom, knocked

SWIM ASHORE

Jerusalem, Aug. 17.
The British Military Headquarters in Palestine this afternoon confirmed that "scores" of Jewish illegal immigrants succeeded in landing under cover of darkness last night at Disrya—the ancient headquarters of the Roman governors in Palestine in Nero's time—halfway between Tel Aviv and Haifa. It is believed that the immigrants swam ashore.—Reuter.

Russia's Attitude Unreasonable

New York, Aug. 17.

Senator Tom Connally, chairman of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee, declared last night that Russia "had maintained an unreasonable position" at the Peace Conference.

"We cannot settle international difficulties like a bunch of fussy schoolboys," the Texas Democrat told reporters aboard the "Queen Mary," before leaving for France to join the Secretary of State, James F. Byrnes in Paris, as advisor.

"We are more or less disappointed that the Conference has not made more headway on the treaties themselves. We have simply got to make peace. We cannot leave the international situation in mid-air," he said.—Associated Press.

NEW SOVIET PLANE

Moscow, Aug. 17.

A new 27-seater Soviet air liner will be seen by the public for the first time next Sunday during Aviation Day celebrations in Moscow.

Named the Ilyushin-12, after its designer, Sorie Ilyushin—the man who created the Stormovik low-level attack bomber—it is a two-motored plane with a speed of between 220 and 230 miles an hour and a range of 1,500 miles.

It has a crew of five and when used for freight has a capacity of three tons.—Reuter.

COMMUNISTS RAIDED

Capetown, Aug. 17.

The police raided the National Executive offices of the Communist Party here today and took away a number of files.

Mr. W. Andrews, National Chairman of the Communist Party, said the purpose of the raid was to try to connect the Communist Party with industrial strikes in the Rand.—Reuter.

London, Aug. 17.

Young girls of 18 and over throughout Britain are competing for flying scholarships, which will give them free training in their spare time for a pilots licence. The first award will be announced in two weeks.—Reuter.

at the door, and opened it. Mr. Churchill had just undressed and was reaching out for his pyjamas.

"Oh, I'm sorry, I'll see you another time," said President Roosevelt.

"Not at all," replied Winston. "Come in. England has nothing to hide."

The Fourth instalment of this narrative will be published in the "Sunday Herald" next week.

BY EDGAR MARTIN

VIOLENT TALK IN PALESTINE

(By Carter Davidson)

Jerusalem, Aug. 17.
The death sentence passed upon 18 young Jews by a Haifa Court Martial yesterday brought violent talk in Jewish circles last night, and it is feared that the Stern gang may strike a bloody blow if the convicted men are actually hanged.

One highly placed Jew said that "hundreds, perhaps thousands of lives, will be saved if these unjust sentences are commuted to life imprisonment within the next few hours."

News of the sentences evoked widespread talk of a hunger strike by "literally thousands of Jews" as a protest against the sentence, and among the moderate elements there is alarm and conjecture that the Stern gang might follow the lead of the Irgun Zvai Leumi and kidnap hostages.

Another Jew said: "Whatever happens, these boys are already heroes in the eyes of the mass of Jewish youth. If they are hanged they will be martyrs, and can count on hundreds of young boys immediately turning to the violent element to avenge them." — Associated Press.

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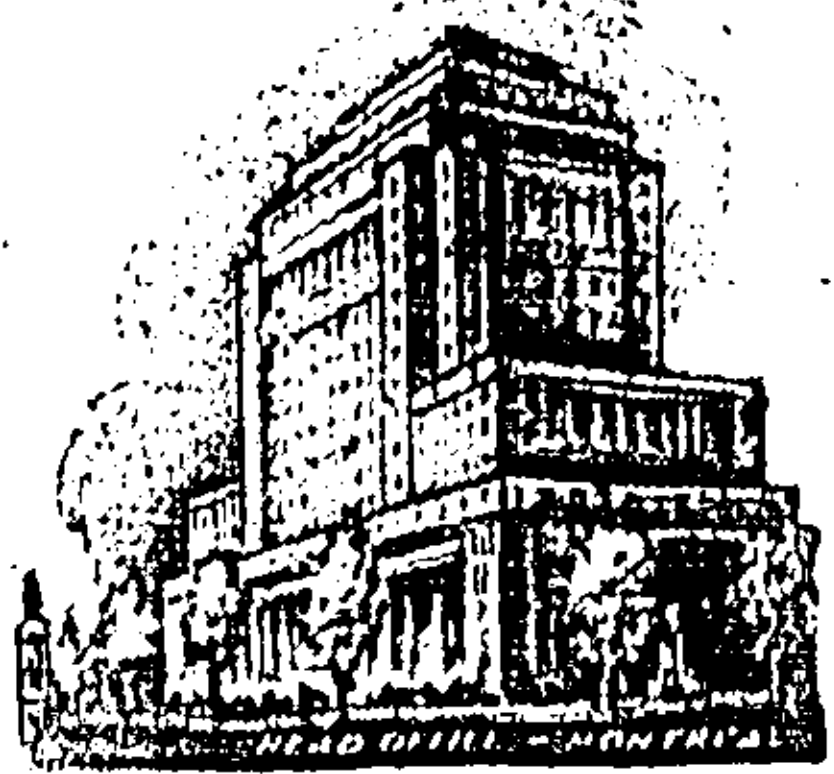
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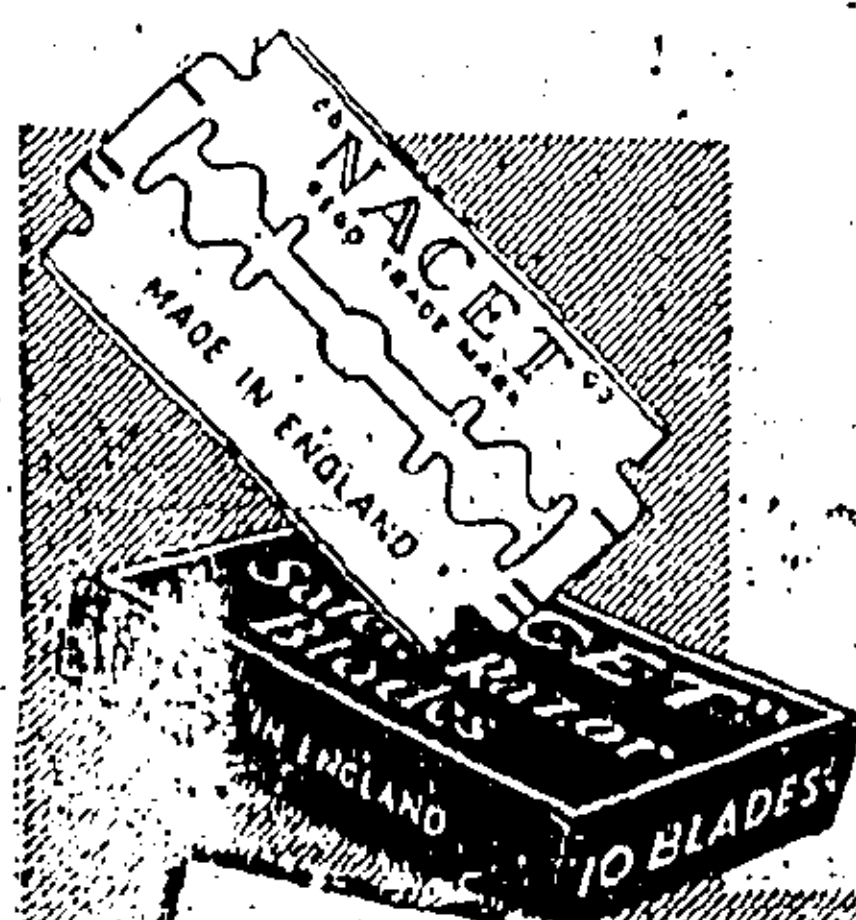
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Jap. Suspects Usually Confessed "Sooner Or Later"

In the course of his testimony at yesterday's War Crimes Trial, accused, Sgt. Miyasue Suekichi, claimed that suspects voluntarily made statements on which they might be sentenced to death.

JUNKMASTERS FINED

When the master of the motor junk "Kwong Fat 1" on the Hong Kong-Macao run appeared before Comdr. Ryder in the Marine Court yesterday on a charge of carrying 85 excess passengers, it was pointed out that it was the vessel's fifth offence. The passengers were charged \$8 each with canvas seats provided and \$4 each without. A fine of \$100 was imposed. Chan Yik-ching, master of motor junk M179H "Man-Hing", was charged with having 42 excess passengers on board. He was taking a sailing junk in tow, which was also carrying passengers across the harbour, and he pleaded that the excess passengers on his junk scrambled over from the sailing junk. He was fined \$100.

Chau Tat-sang, owner of the motor-boat "Pai Lee", was fined \$50 for allowing his vessel to operate without a certificate of survey. Chief Junk Inspector Brett, who was in Court, said that quite a number of vessels were running without having been surveyed.

The coxswain of the same motor-boat, Sin Kam, who also acted as engineer, was charged with failing to produce his certificate of competency when called upon to do so by Junk Inspector Brooks. He produced his certificate in Court, and was given a nominal fine of \$10, with a warning that the certificate should always be carried on board.

Sub-Inspectors Eggleston and Mudd prosecuted for the Police.

CORRESPONDENCE

Moratorium

Sir,—With reference to your reader Mr. M. A. Lee's letter as appearing in your Aug. 16 issue, I shall appreciate if Mr. Lee will be so good as to point out to us the particular chapter of the International Laws in which he indicted his passage with reference to the lifting of a moratorium governing land and house transactions during foreign troops' occupation, as such quotation will help to enlighten a lot of us.

Mr. Lee's criticism was unequivocally manifested by quoting Macao legislature as for purpose of guidance of local authorities, I suppose, in order that Macao legislature may also be introduced here in part according to Mr. Lee, or at least, so wished for.

He lastly mentioned of those "collaborators" only were able to purchase land and houses in the Mikado's period, and that the patriots themselves were the exceptions. I am afraid Mr. Lee's accusation has gone far beyond what he really knew. There are lots of the so-called patriots in Chungking and other parts of free China, having scored millions of dollars by hoarding, speculation, etc. and why not themselves able to buy land and house? There are yet other well-known patriots who claimed themselves to be Dr. Sun Yat Sen's true followers, have under the name of Dr. Sun, earned their great fortunes and reverted them into American Gold Dollars to a deposit or deposits of millions of such, and does this happen to come to Mr. Lee's knowledge at all?

WANTING-TO-BE-CONFIRMED.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BANK OF CANTON

Shareholders of the Bank of Canton Ltd. held their first post-war general meeting yesterday afternoon at the head office of the Bank. In the absence of the Permanent Chairman, Dr. T. V. Soong, and the Acting Chairman, Mr. T. A. Soong, the meeting elected Mr. Huo Pao-tsai to the chair.

The accounts of 1941 and 1945 were approved by the meeting. The 1941 accounts showed a net profit of \$1,037,536.02 including \$70,204.41 brought forward. Of this sum the meeting approved the setting aside of \$604,766.18 as reserves; \$285,233.82 towards the sum of \$435,233.82 for the payment of dividends on preferred shares; and \$187,536.02 to be carried forward.

The 1945 accounts showed a net loss of \$349,622.28 made up mainly of accumulated expenses of the years 1942-1945 when the head office of the Bank was occupied by the enemy.

Dividends for First and Second Preference Shares at 5% and 4% respectively for 1941 were declared at the meeting.

The following were re-elected Directors:—Dr. Sun Fo, Dr. Li Shu-fan and Messrs. Hoh Yam-in, Li Fu-how, Hu Wai-chen, Kiang Shao-lay, Lao King-shu, Chang Fu-yun, Chan Kam-po, Ng Yuen-ming, Lin Bing-yim, Li Bing-chiu, Fok Po-chol and Chan Kwok-yee; and the following were also elected to the Board:—Duntso Yuan, Han Kwang-chi, Hu Chai-chung, Pan Ming-shih and Fok Foy-ming. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews were re-elected auditors of the Bank. Shareholders present at the meeting numbered sixty-five.

Accused admitted having struck Omar in a moment of excitement, but denied having ill-treated any other suspect in his custody. Accused also admitted having acted "cheekily" towards his comrades and to civilians.

The accused, Sgt. Miyasue Suekichi, is charged with having committed a War Crime at Hong Kong by ill-treating certain Hong Kong civilians, resulting in the death of one of them. Under cross-examination by Major McGregor, accused agreed that it was wrong to torture people and that those who tortured people should be punished. Accused also agreed that if the torture resulted in death, it was a most serious offence, much more serious than ordinary torture.

Usually Confessed Continuing, accused denied that the Kempetal always demanded confessions from suspects, but admitted that suspects usually made confessions sooner or later. Accused did not agree that a person found guilty by a Military Court of being a spy would most certainly be sentenced to death. He did not, however, mean to say that Japanese Courts did not pass death sentences. What he meant was that sentences would be passed according to the nature of the offence. If the Military Court considered that an accused was guilty of espionage activities, they might sentence him to death. Pressed by Major McGregor, accused agreed that a confession obtained by the Kempetal from an accused person would be taken into consideration by the Military Court. Accused said that he did not think suspects would make confessions so readily.

At this point, Major McGregor began to question accused as to contradictory statements which had been made by him in evidence. After an objection by Defence Counsel, Major McGregor decided to drop this line of questioning. Accused denied that he beat Eddie Tsui. Accused also refuted an admission contained in a written statement made by him to the effect that he "might have beaten Eddie Tsui." Accused agreed that beating and slapping were ill-treatment and admitted having struck Omar two or three times

with the palm of his hand. He did not say that he beat Omar with sticks and his hand.

Acted Cheekily Examined by the President of the Court, accused stated that he did not know anything at all about people being ill-treated at the Gendarmerie where he was posted. "As far as I am concerned, I was never involved in such things, and concerning others, I do not know whether such things occurred." He could not positively say that ill-treatment did not take place.

He first heard about Archie Wong's death when the charges were read out to him at Stanley. When asked by the President of the Court if he would be worried if his mother was in the custody of the Kempetal, accused stated that he would be worried. He would have no special worries, but would be worried only because he was very far away and could not see her. Accused agreed that on thinking matters over, he had, as a Gendarme, acted "cheekily" towards his comrades and to civilians.

After further evidence by Japanese witnesses the defence case concluded. The closing addresses by Counsel for the Prosecution and Defence will be delivered at 4 p.m. tomorrow.

ELECTION OF J.Ps.

An Election by the Justices of the Peace of three Justices of the Peace to serve on the Licensing Board for three years will take place in the Council Chamber of the Urban Council on Wednesday, the 28th day of August, 1946, commencing at 4 o'clock in afternoon.

The election will be conducted in accordance with the Rules set forth in the Regulations of Hong Kong, Vol. III, 1916-1931, page 1365.

Forms of nomination may be obtained at the Magistracy, Victoria, Hong Kong. Every nomination must be delivered to Mr. H.C. Sheldon, K.C. not less than four clear days before the day fixed for the election.

The only persons entitled to vote at the election are the official Justices of the Peace.

Voting will commence at 4 p.m. and continue until 6 p.m. when the ballot-box will be closed.

Arrested by a constable while cutting tree branches from the grounds of Government House at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Chan Kam-lau was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

J.J. Richards Gets 15 Years

"Your behaviour during the occupation has been beneath contempt and I will be failing in my duty to the many loyal persons in the Colony if I did not pass on you a heavy sentence," said His Honour the Puisne Judge, Mr. E. H. Williams, at the Supreme Court yesterday before passing sentence on J. J. Richards who had been unanimously found guilty of seven of the eight charges against him for Breach of the Defence Regulations.

Richards was sentenced to five years on each of the first two counts, the sentences to run concurrently, and to 10 years on the five other counts, making a total of 15 years.

Richards showed little or no emotion when he heard the verdict and sentence, while the Judge, in addressing and sentencing Richards, spoke very slowly and deliberately.

After the verdict, Mr. P. C. Woo for Richards said nothing on behalf of his client but to remind His Lordship that Richards had been in custody since Oct. 4, 1945.

Mr. Silva said that the original charge against accused was that of High Treason and it was only reduced through the clemency of the Crown but that did not mean that the Crown did not take a serious view. The verdict might have been the probable verdict under a Treason charge.

Before rising, His Lordship thanked the Jury for their attention in the long and complicated trial, and exempted them from service till the end of 1947. The Judge's summing-up occupied the whole morning and lasted two hours and 40 minutes while the Jury retired for 80 minutes.

More Price Controls

Further items to be added to the schedule of the Price Control Order were gazetted yesterday as follows:

TOOTH PASTE	
Maximum Retail Price (including duty)	
Dr. West's (per 2 oz tube)	\$1.30
Ipama (per large size tube)	1.00
Ipama (per medium size tube)	1.10
Kolynos (per 2 oz tube)	1.00
Kolynos (per 1 oz tube)	1.10
Listerine (per 3.6 oz tube)	2.25
Listerine (per 1.8 oz tube)	1.65
Macleans (per medium size tube)	
	1.25
Peppodent (per 3 oz tube)	1.00
Peppodent (per 1 1/2 oz tube)	1.10
Squibbs (per large size tube)	1.00
" (per medium size tube)	1.10
SOAP	
Camay (per tablet)	.65
Ivory (per medium size tablet)	.65
Lava (per large size tablet)	.75
Lifebuoy (per tablet)	.65
Woodbury (per tablet)	.85
FRESH FRUIT	
Cobra (per 4 lbs or tin)	.35
Apples—all kinds (per apple)	.45
" (or per lb.)	1.50
FRESH FRUIT	
Armandments are:—	
Kruschon Sals	2.70
Unifover, Easy Shaving sticks (per stick)	.55

"A Talkie" film, "Out of China" will be shown at the Hong Kong Rotary Club's luncheon on Tuesday, 20th August, at the Gloucester Hotel, Top Floor, at 12.45 p.m.

Sold 1 lb. Of Butter For \$7

A written judgment was delivered by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case against Lo Koo, master of the Chuan Heng Store, Queen's Road Central, summoned for selling a pound of butter at \$7.00. Mr. R. S. Smith appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. M. A. da Silva was defending. Accused was fined \$900.

In his judgment, Mr. d'Almada referred to precedents quoted by the Defence and said they could not be applied to this case. There was no allegation of fraud or any special circumstances upon which he should have been notified and supplied with particulars.

Referring to the Defence contention that the butter might have been sold by someone using the premises Mr. d'Almada said it was incredible that anyone could have used another's premises without the knowledge of the proprietors.

Mr. d'Almada concluded: "I have in similar cases in the past imposed fines which I had hoped would have served as a deterrent to others but it is apparent that the desired effect is lacking. The excess in this case is somewhere in the region of 300 per cent. I fine the defendant the sum of \$900 or in the alternative two months' hard labour. Upon the second summons, the failure to exhibit a price tag, there is not an iota of evidence against the defendant and he is accordingly discharged."

Over-Charged; Fined \$1,000

Li Ka-mi, of No. 143, Des Voeux Road Central was summoned before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday for selling a bottle of Parke Davis cod liver oil at \$17.00, the controlled price being \$6.40, on July 30.

Mr. R. S. Smith for the prosecution said that he was instructed to ask for a serious view to be taken as the price which accused charged was nearly 200 per cent over the official price.

Mr. d'Almada remarked that accused's act would prevent poor people buying cod liver oil when needed.

A fine of \$1,000 was imposed.

SISSONS DISCHARGED

F. G. Sissons, on a charge of aiding and abetting in a manslaughter case, was discharged yesterday when an application was made by Mr. A. J. Clifford, Crown Counsel, before Mr. George Sho at the Central Magistracy.

Able Seaman S. E. Pearson, charged with the manslaughter of Betty Kwok, was again remanded until Aug. 24.

Mr. M. A. da Silva was appearing for the defence, and Mr. A. J. Clifford for the prosecution.

The name of Anthony Joseph Staple, L.D.S., has been added to the official Register of Dentists entitled to practice dentistry in the Colony.



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WEDDINGS

Lowe-Rankin

Lieut.-Gen. Sir Adrian Carton de Wiart, VC, KBE, CB, the Prime Minister's personal representative in China, gave the bride away yesterday when Miss Kathleen Mary Helen Rankin became the wife of Mr. Cecil D. Lowe.

Miss Rankin and Mr. Lowe first met in Chungking. She is the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Rankin of Romford, England, and was on the staff of the British Council in England while Mr. Lowe was with the Ministry of Information in England and China and is now manager of Messrs. Liddell Bros. He is the son of the late Mr. A. D. Lowe.

Mr. R. N. Hillyer was the best man. The bride was attended by Mrs. Irene Evans as matron of honour and her flower girl was Miss Beryl Hale.

A reception was held at Flagstaff House by Sir Adrian Carton de Wiart and a large number of guests were present.

Federico-Thomas-Hooker

The wedding took place in the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday afternoon of Flying-Officer John A. Federico, R.A.F., of Durban, South Africa, and Miss Gladys Thomas-Hooker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas-Hooker, of Kings Cross, London.

The Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Mr. C. d'Almeida e Castro, officiated, the witnesses being Sgt. Leader G.A. Warren and Lt. L. C. Wishart.

A reception was held later at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. du Motin, at 112 Austin Road, which was attended by a large number of friends of the wedded couple.

Smithson-Green

The wedding took place in St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon of Pte. Roy Smithson, of 115 Commando, and Miss Hilmar Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green of Minnesota, U.S.A. The Commando Chaplain, the Rev. A. Collingshaw, officiated.

The bride was attended by the Misses Nina and Winnie Rocha as bridesmaids. Pte. Kenneth Sims, of 115 Commando, undertook the duties of best man. Comrades from 115 Commando formed a guard of honour as the wedded couple left the Church.

A reception was later held at Tunglo House, Shamshuipo. The honeymoon is to be spent at Mico.

MONEY MART

Gold maintained the position it attained the previous day and after opening at \$370 a tael yesterday morning it rose to \$372 at the close. Chinese National Currency was quoted at \$1.69 for futures and \$1.81 for spot (for C\$1,000) and there was no movement. U.S. dollars were unchanged at \$4.39/\$4.49; and Sterling and Australian pounds had buyers at \$15.50 and \$12.50 respectively.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Aug. 17.
Closing rates were:—
Buying Selling
C\$5 C\$5
Gold per ounce 202,000 203,000
U.S. Dollars 2,680 2,700
Hong Kong Dollars 570 580
—Unofficial market.
—Associated Press.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday were Mrs. L. E. Partridge, Capt. W. D. Tucker, Capt. R. Krupke, Capt. C. S. Glenn, Ramon M. Zera, J. Steozor, F. Rada, A. Laureano, Capt. G. W. Lonne, Capt. F. J. Michels, K. H. Lan and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Thompson.

Departures the same day were Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. M. Brown, P. Edwards, T. R. Ingram, W. Bainbridge-Hawker, Capt. P. Knudsen, A. I. R. Shaw, J. L. Stewart and Mrs. D. Dalton.

A Portuguese prison warder, Grovetzino, Vienna, 30, was charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at the Central Magistracy yesterday with unlawfully conveying a prisoner's letter out of Stanley Prison on Friday.

Accused was remanded until Monday at the request of the prosecution.

Canton, Aug. 17.
For the first time in judicial history, a Canton court has had jurisdiction over an American national in a breach of promise suit and dismissed the case.

The defendant is Dr. Frank H. Herrington, head of UNRRA medical department, who was sued by Anna Tong, alias Tong Wang-chen. They first met in Chungking two years ago, and Tong came to Canton from Shanghai in February "in order to marry" the American doctor.

The charges against Dr. Herrington were breach of promise, desertion and seduction. The attorney for the defence contended that the doctor did not intend to marry Tong, that there was no desertion since they were not married and that the plaintiff, being a woman of 25, could not be said to have been seduced by defendant.

Anna Tong will bring the case to a higher court, while she will persuade the Women's Association to intercede on her behalf.

The court considered the case both as a civil and a criminal one. On the criminal side, Dr. Herrington was found not guilty, and on the civil aspect, the claim of damages was dismissed. Anna Tong sought \$2,000, C\$1,500,000 and an air ticket to Shanghai.

Anna Tong was a student of English literature in Sun Yat-sen University, then at Pingshek, north Kwangtung. She did not graduate but left with a friend for Chungking where she married a newspaperman, from whom she was divorced later.

Dr. Herrington will marry an English lady tomorrow. He told the Associated Press that he gave up any idea to marry Anna Tong long ago. In court he produced an affidavit by a servant concerning the morals of the plaintiff.

Anna Tong declined to meet newspapermen.—Associated Press.

Nurses Board Examination

The following are the results of the Nurses Board Examinations held in July, 1946:

Final Passed: Government Hospitals. Mr. William Au, Miss Anna Mary Daisy Chan, Miss End Fong, Miss Hazel Kong, Miss Jenny Tsang and Miss Pauline Ling.

Tung Wah Hospital:—Miss Lam Mo Ping, Miss Poon Sul Ho, Miss Loong Chee Man, Miss Shum Shuk Ying, Miss Hon Lai Sang, Miss Ng May Lan and Miss Ng Tack May.

Kwong Wah Hospital:—Miss Chan Po Chue, Miss Cheng Yin Fong, Miss Chan Shau Luen, Miss Lee Pui Ying, Miss Lai Wai Lin, Miss Lau Lai Wah, Miss Leung Ngok Wah, Miss Ma Fung King, Miss Ng Kwok Ying, Miss Tse Kay Yan and Miss Wong Shiu Han.

Tung Wah Eastern Hospital:—Miss Cheung Sui King and Miss Lau Mo Yin.

Nethersole Hospital:—Miss Chan Wing Hing, Miss Cheuk Tak Ching, Miss Chan Wing Han, Miss Fung Mui Sheung, Miss Li Pik Shun, Miss Wong Kwai Mui, Miss Wong Shun Wa, Miss Yeung Ying Tai and Miss Wai Ping Mui.

"NEW WORLD" SYMPHONY

This evening Czechoslovakian music will be the main feature of the programme to be presented at the Tse H. Services Club, Kowloon, commencing at eight o'clock.

The programme will include the following:—Overture "The Bartered Bride" by Smetana, played by the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

Dvorak's Slavonic Dances played by the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra with Vaclav Talich conducting.

Humoresque played by Kreisler.

Symphony No. 5 in E "The New World" with Georg Szell, conducting the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra.

Also at the Club, commencing at 8.15, there will be a Forces Service with Communitary Hymn Singing.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS

No fewer than 30 cases, involving 50 odd defendants, are on the calendar for this month's Criminal Sessions, which will start tomorrow at the Supreme Court.

Included in the list are the manslaughter case against James Anderson Dixon, the breach of the Defence Regulations case against H. Hyndman and the Farquhar Murder case.

There are also 13 cases of unlawful possession of arms and ammunition.

Soliciting Near The Cathedral

A party of Military and Civilian Police in civilian clothes raided the district between Jackson Road, near the Supreme Court, the Cathedral grounds and the Colonial Secretariat Office Compound, on the evening of Friday, resulting in the arrest of several Chinese women.

Brought before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday, five Chinese women were bound over when charged with soliciting for an immoral purpose.

Inspector S. Smith said that the Police took a very serious view. While the authorities were taking action against brothels, the women started business in the street.

A 50-year-old woman, Wong Yee, was fined \$250 or three months' hard labour for keeping a brothel at No. 3, Upper Lascar Row, first floor, on Friday.

Another woman Li Sam, had her bail of \$500 entreated when she failed to appear.

Funeral

Mrs. S. Winyard

The funeral of Mrs. Sylvia Winyard, wife of Mr. J. E. Winyard, took place in the Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Father John B. Cheng, conducted the service at the graveside.

The chief mourners were Mr. J. R. Winyard, Mrs. M. Tavares (mother), Miss P. Tavares (sister), Mrs. Mary Winyard (mother-in-law), Captain F. W. Winyard (brother-in-law), and Mr. and Mrs. Katharine Winyard.

Those present at the funeral were Dr. R. E. Alvarez, Miss Chan King, Mr. C. Neves, Mr. H. Abreu, N. C. Barretto, G. E. Roynance, D. Roynance, Mrs. F. W. Winyard, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. A. Watson, Mr. H. Pears, Mrs. L. N. Silva, Mr. G. J. White, and others.

Floral tributes were from Vanda, Sonny and Shirley, Cousin Marie, Vivian, Theima and Russell, Mum, Kathleen and Mary, Jose and Christine, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. White, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McDonald, Mr. M. K. Cheung, Mr. S. Cheung, Mr. Cheung Kit, Capt. S. C. Ivart, Lieut. G. A. Crooks, J. E. McDonald, Barrack Store H.K., Chinese Staff, Mr. J. M. Xavier, Miss Chan King, Miss Wong Yung, Miss Leung Ho, Mr. and Mrs. Lau Liu, Mrs. A. F. Olson and family, Mr. H. Pears, Mr. H. Leong, Hazel, G. Gardner, Major and Mrs. S. Macomber, Churn, Portuguese Staff Neth. Trading Society, Mr. and Mrs. Rull and family.

Mr. H. Hassan

The funeral of Mr. H. Hassan, a long-respected member of the local Indian community, took place yesterday evening at the Mohammedan Cemetery before a large gathering of friends and relatives. Aged 62, he died at his home, 234 Gloucester Road, after a long illness. He had been an employee of the Royal Engineers for nearly 30 years, retiring just before the war.

He is survived by his widow, a son and six daughters, one of whom is the wife of Mr. S. H. Ismail, of the National City Bank of New York. The second youngest daughter, Juliet, is a stenographer in Credit Foncier.

Maulvi Cheung officiated and among those present were Messrs. H. Moosdeen, U.M. K.M. and A.K. Omar, S. A. Sopher, H. M. Azam, C.M. and M. Alaraki, Miss R. Ramjani, A.O. Madar, S.A., A.H. O. B.M. and H.D. Ramjani, M.Y. Adal and S.O. S.H. and S.A.R. Bux.

GOT TWO BITES

Pleading that he was hungry, So Chuen, 19, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday with larceny of a roasted duck from a Chinese woman at Canton Road Central near Douglas Street on Friday morning. Accused was arrested after he had had two bites from the duck. Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed. Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

HENRY PU YI

New York, Aug. 17.
Henry Pu Yi, 40-year-old, former puppet Emperor of Manchukuo, told the Allied War Crimes Tribunal in Tokyo that the Japanese gave him the choice between death and the puppet throne, according to New York radio today.

He said that General Tetsuhiro Itagaki, the former Japanese War Minister, who is one of 27 war criminals in the dock, placed the two alternatives before him at Port Arthur, Manchuria, in 1932 and asked him to head the Manchukuo Government. — Reuter.

R.A.F. Transport Group Disbands

No. 232 Group which was formed at Comilla in April, 1945, and has been responsible for operating all R.A.F. Air Transport services east of Calcutta as far as Japan and South to N.E.I. disbanded on Thursday.

The group has carried out a splendid job of work and its commitments have been many and varied. Among its responsibilities was the large scale evacuation of allied prisoners of war and ex-interns and rice-dropping to the starving peoples of Northern Burma.

R.A.F. Air Transport services will now come under the direct control of Headquarters, Air Command, South East Asia, and Air Officer Commanding No. 232 Group is appointed to the Air Staff at H.Q. as Inspector of Air Transport. His principal duty will be to make frequent visits to Transport Squadron and staging Posts to ensure efficient organisation and smooth running.

Headquarters No. 232 Group's accommodation in Namhau Girls' School will be vacated by the R.A.F. as soon as possible and the building requisitioned.

Stole 240 Prs. Of Nylons

Two Chinese walked into No. 601, Bank of East Asia Building, at about 1 p.m. on Friday and asked to be shown some Du Pont nylon stockings. After bargaining, the men left without making a purchase.

Later the complainant discovered 20 dozen pairs of stockings, to the value of \$3,000, missing.

On enquiries, a man named Wong Kin, 23, unemployed, was arrested and 156 pairs of stockings were recovered from No. 180, Kiang Street, Kowloon.

Before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Wong Kin was sentenced to six months' hard labour for larceny.

Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

Film Review

There are no two ways about slap-stick comedy; either you find it side-splittingly funny or it leaves you feeling very bored. To those who do enjoy slap-stick the Queen's Theatre attraction, "Who Done It?" can be recommended without hesitation, for its stars—Abbott and Costello—are among the top exponents of this special brand of humour.

This time their capers lead them headlong into a murder mystery and as amateur sleuths their orthodox methods produce startling results. Yearning to become script writers for radio, the comic duo invade a broadcasting station to attend a mystery show and in no time at all find themselves in the company of two very real corpses.

Harried by police and crooks alike, A & C are provided with plenty of material to get the laughs, Lou Costello, the wise-cracking funny man, making admirable foil for his partner, Bud Abbott, the straight man of the team.

The whole—as the title suggests—is a neat take-off of the regular who-done-it mysteries, mixing up all the usual accessories from spies and electric chairs to dumb cops for Abbott and Costello to play with.

D. H.

MURDER CHARGE

Lau Tung-nue, 30, unemployed, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday with the murder of Lau Wai, alias Lau Fung-cho at Kat On Street, on Friday evening.

It was alleged that Lau was killed with a pair of scissors.

At the request of Detective Sub-Inspector Maschenko, accused was remanded for three days in Police custody for further enquiries.

Tale Of A Girl And A Fortune-Teller

The Chinese press turned out in full force at Kowloon Court yesterday to report on a case of great interest to the Chinese public. A fortune-teller was charged with having obtained \$2,050 by trick from a pretty Chinese girl whom he advised, (she claimed in the witness-box) that she was undergoing a period of bad luck which would soon take a remarkable turn for the better and that she would do well to be careful of her affairs.

The girl, Yiu Kam-to, 17, said that it all started when, after having been beaten by her mother, she ran away from home, taking the jewellery box with her. She had the box opened by a locksmith and sold the jewels to various goldsmiths for a total of \$3,710.

A few days previously, she had visited accused (who had an office on the first floor of the Ho Tung Building) to have her fortune told. She paid him \$10 for the reading. He told her that she was undergoing a period of bad luck and that it was soon to end. He asked her if she had any money and she said that her family had. He suggested the near future as an appropriate time to go into business, as her luck was changing.

After running away from home, she paid several visits to the fortune-teller, giving him a sum of \$3,250 over several visits to speculate with for her. He promised her, she claimed, that her period of good luck was coming and that she could safely look forward to a tenfold return on her investment.

Eventually, she said, her mother traced her and she paid several visits to accused's house in an endeavour to get the money back. On one occasion, accused's wife gave her \$800 and on another, when they went together to Central Police Station, \$400 more. She promised to return more when her husband returned from Canton.

Good Humour

Pak Wan-ku, 45 (accused), in figure tall and well-built for a Chinese, claimed in the witness-box that the girl brought him presents of cakes and fruit after the first visit and asked him how to improve her fortune. He told her that many tried but few succeeded in business, and suggested Chinese National Currency as a good speculation.

Accused was in great good-humour throughout the proceedings and kept smiling as he gave his version of events from the witness-box. He said she had given him \$1,200 to speculate with and the money had been returned to her when she claimed it.

In answer to a question from Sub-Insp. Andrews, prosecuting, accused said that he could give a reading of a person's fortune but he could not see into the future.

Sub-Insp. Andrews: "Then you're only a swindler when you take a fee for predicting the future?"

Accused: "I can't see into the future but I can give a reading of what is foretold by the octagon." Further hearing of the case was adjourned to 3.30 p.m. on Monday.

Unarmed Man Grabs Gunman

Refusing to lose face before his fiancée, a CNRRA clerk turned on two armed men and after raising enough of a rumpus to bring all the neighbours flocking to the door, chased and caught one of the would-be robbers in Shamshuipo yesterday evening.

Mr. Tsoi Man-hing was bringing his fiancée, Miss Leung Lai-kuen, back to her home at 12 Tai Lung Street when he was attracted by warning calls from two men following him up the stairs. Turning around, he looked at two revolvers.

Peevish, he started shouting, whereupon the two men took fright and ran helter-skelter down the stairs. Their progress through the door was slowed down by the number of people running to investigate, nevertheless, both men were able to slip past.

Mr. Tsoi, however, was hard on their heels and caught hold of one man. A search at the station revealed a revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

DISORDERLY

The master of the Australian Cafe, No. 7, Lund Road, who was fined \$550 by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at the Central Magistracy on Friday afternoon for selling a tin of jam at a "black market" price, was charged with disorderly behaviour at the Magistracy, after the Court was adjourned.

It was alleged that accused made remarks about the price-control inspector, after he was convicted.

When the case was called before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Court yesterday, accused failed to appear and had his bail of \$250 estimated. — Inspector D. F. Watson prosecuted.

R.N. Ships For China

Nucleus Chinese Navy crews are being trained in England to man the 12 warships which China is to receive as a gift from the British Government.

The ships, which are to be handed over during 1947, are the 5,270 tons cruiser Aurora, one Hunt class destroyer, two "U" class submarines, and eight motor launches.

Another former British warship, the Flower class corvette Petunia, now renamed the Fu Po, was handed over to the Chinese authorities in June and is expected to arrive in Hong Kong about mid-October.

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 48 of 1946.

Hongkong Harbour.

Submerged Obstruction.

The berth at Commercial Buoy B. 5 is fouled by a submerged lighter the mast of which is visible above water.

This berth will not be used until further notice.

Authority: Harbour Master.

J. JOLLY, Harbour Master.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 16th Aug. 1946.

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M. F. KEY, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th August, 1946.

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DID YOU SEE ATROCITIES COMMITTED BY THE JAPANESE INVADING FORCES IN HAPPY VALLEY IN DECEMBER 1941

The War Crimes Commission have now in custody in SUGAMO Prison in TOKYO the Commander of the Japanese regiment which landed on the coast of HONG KONG Island between NORTH POINT and TAIKOO SUGAR FACTORY in December, 1941.

This regiment after landing advanced along the coast towards WANCHAI, capturing SOOKUMPOO, TAI HANG Village, EAST POINT and finally halted after occupying HAPPY VALLEY.

The War Crimes Investigation Unit have certain affidavits on alleged atrocities committed by the assault troops in these areas. It is known that many more atrocities were committed in HAPPY VALLEY, and the War Crimes Investigation Unit would much appreciate if witnesses of any such atrocities would come forward to give evidence at their Headquarters, "D" Block, VICTORIA BARRACKS, H. Q. Land Forces, Tel: 34048.

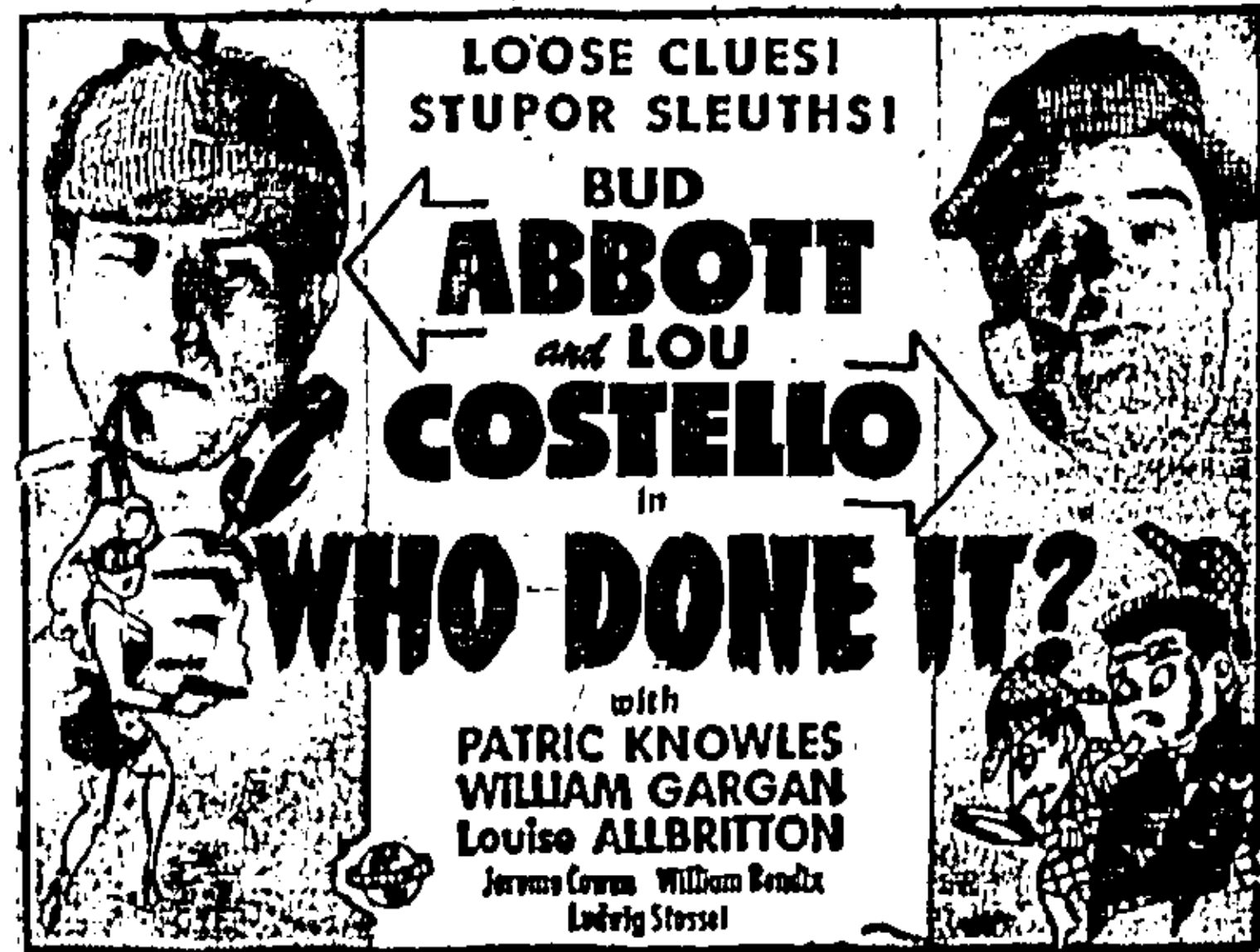
It is not necessary for witnesses to identify the troops who committed these atrocities, but it is important that these should be corroborative evidence of each alleged incident.

The War Crimes Investigation Unit would also appreciate any information which would enable them to obtain evidence on such atrocities.

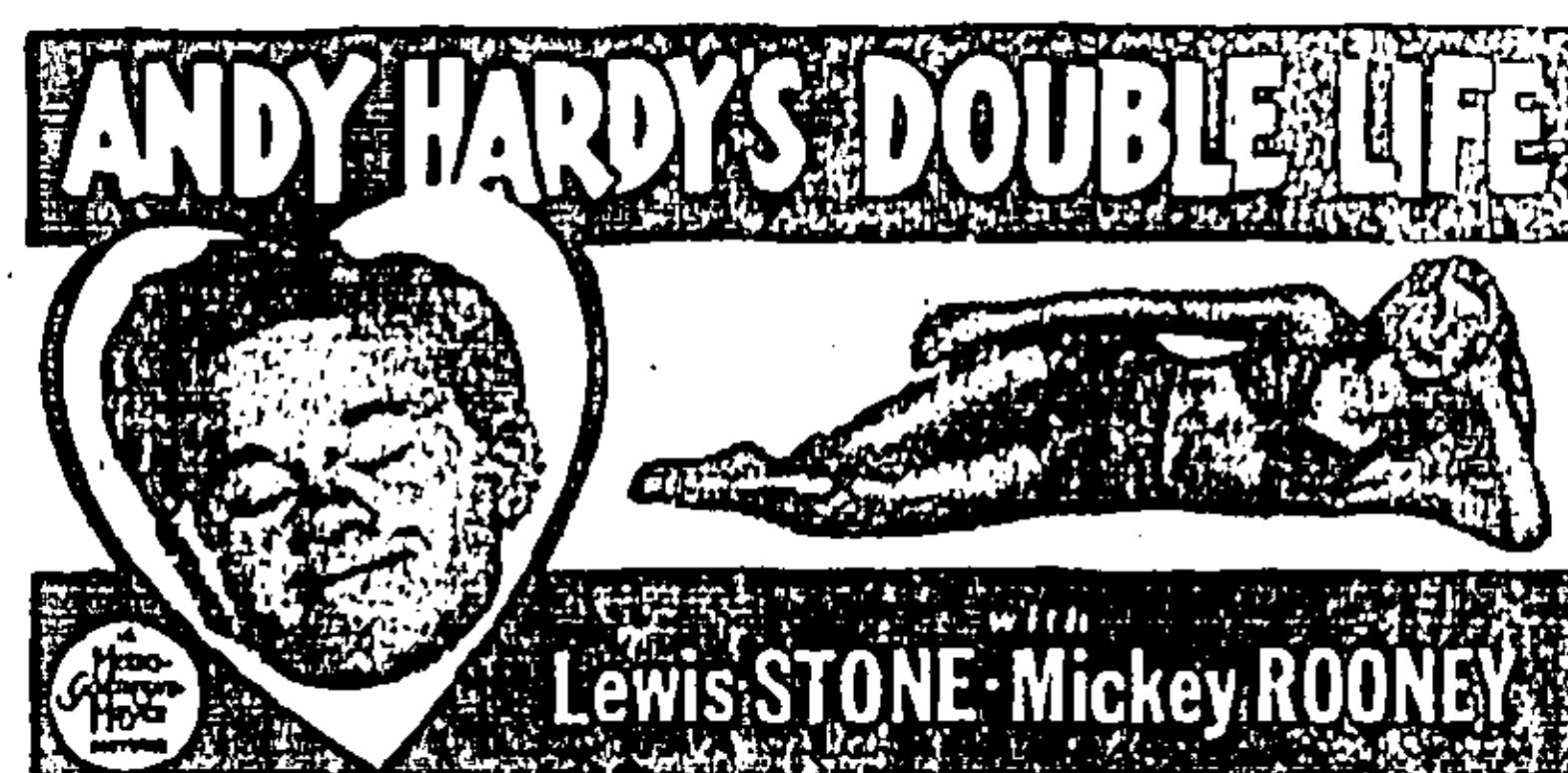


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BRIDGE NOTES

"Please comment on this slam we missed," requests a Baiti more reader. "We've seen a few similar hands commented upon in your column, so perhaps you'll find one interesting enough:

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
S. A K 5 2
H. A K 9 6
D. K Q 7 6 2
C. —
S. J 10 9 6
H. 10
D. A 9 8 6
C. 10 9 7 4

N. S. Q 8 7 4
H. 6 2
D. J 10
C. A J 6 5 3
S. 3
H. Q J 8 7 4 3
D. 4 3
C. K Q 8 2

The bidding:
South West North East
Pass Pass 1D. Pass
1H. Pass 1S. Pass
2C. Pass 4NT Pass
5C. Pass 5H. Pass
Pass Pass

"North explained, after South had cleaned up twelve tricks with great dispatch, that he didn't like to bid a slam with two Aces out against him, particularly since South had passed originally. Can you answer this objection?"

This is just another case in which blind reliance on a slam convention defeats the very purpose of the convention. The idea of the Blackwood four-trump bid is to find out whether the opponents have enough top command to defeat a slam. However, in today's hand North should never consider settling for less than a small slam contract.

Consider North's hand in the light of the bidding. Since South has bid two suits, it is clear that South has at least nine cards in those suits and not more than four cards in spades and diamonds together. Two of those four cards can be played on dummy's top spades; the other two on dummy's diamond honours, losing one trick to the diamond Ace. Hence the opponents cannot possibly win two tricks in the spade and diamond suits. The club void and strong heart support give equally strong assurance that the opponents cannot win any tricks in those suits.

The only question is whether the hand will produce twelve tricks. The long diamonds and the ability to ruff clubs should assure North on that score. He therefore should bid six hearts over South's five-club response.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

S. K J 5 3
H. A
D. K J 4 2
C. Q J 6 5

The bidding:
Schenken You Maier Jacoby
Pass (?)

ANSWER: Bid one diamond. When a hand containing three four-card suits is worth an opening bid, you usually will get the best results from bidding the suit below the single-ton.

Score 100 per cent for one diamond, 90 per cent for one club, 50 per cent for one spade.

Question
Today you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Bombay, Aug. 17.
Heavy casualties in Calcutta today and mass demonstrations in other cities marked "Direct Action Day" called by the Moslem League in protest against the British Cabinet Mission's plan for India.

British troops were called in to restore order in Calcutta after a morning of widespread looting and stabbing. Fifteen dead were reported in the city's hospitals and 250 were treated in street incidents, although other reports said that the total casualties up to 7.00 o'clock tonight were 56 dead and 750 injured.

Mohammed Ali Jinnah, President of the Moslem League, had expressly called for a peaceful observance of the day.

In Bombay, all Moslem shops were closed and hundreds of Moslem students walked in procession through the streets calling Pakistan slogans.

Moslems in Delhi, Lahore, Lucknow and other northern Indian towns observed a "hartal"—a stoppage of work.

Azi Mohammed Isa, a member of the Moslem League Working Committee, told a meeting of students in Delhi: "We have declared our independence and are prepared to wage a war for it. Let us from today say that an independent Pakistan republic exists."

Nawab's Statement
Moslems not yet members of the Moslem League would either have to join it or "be punished for their treachery according to Islamic law," he declared.

At Lahore, a huge meeting attended by more than 100,000 Moslems heard the Nawab of Mamdot, the biggest landowner in the Punjab and President of the Punjab Provincial Moslem League, renounce his title of Nawab and declare: "What we want now is a clash between British imperialism and Russian communism."

The British will then demand the help of Indian Moslems who will demonstrate at that time their power and importance."

Premature Move
The refusal of Mohammed Ali Jinnah to participate in the formation of an interim government in India has caused little surprise in well-informed circles in London where the view is expressed that the invitation from Pandit Nehru followed too soon the Moslem League's dramatic rejection of the British Cabinet Mission's proposals to allow Mr. Jinnah to accept Pandit Nehru's offer out of hand.

The formation of a Congress government headed by Pandit Nehru is now regarded as a certainty, says Reuters political correspondent, and the hope is expressed in London political quarters that if the five seats for Moslems are left vacant, Mr. Jinnah may even now change his mind and join the interim government.

There is still no official reaction to the latest development. The Viceroy, Field-Marshal Lord Wavell, is understood to be in close and continuous contact with Lord Patrick Lawrence, Secretary for India, but until the situation is carried a

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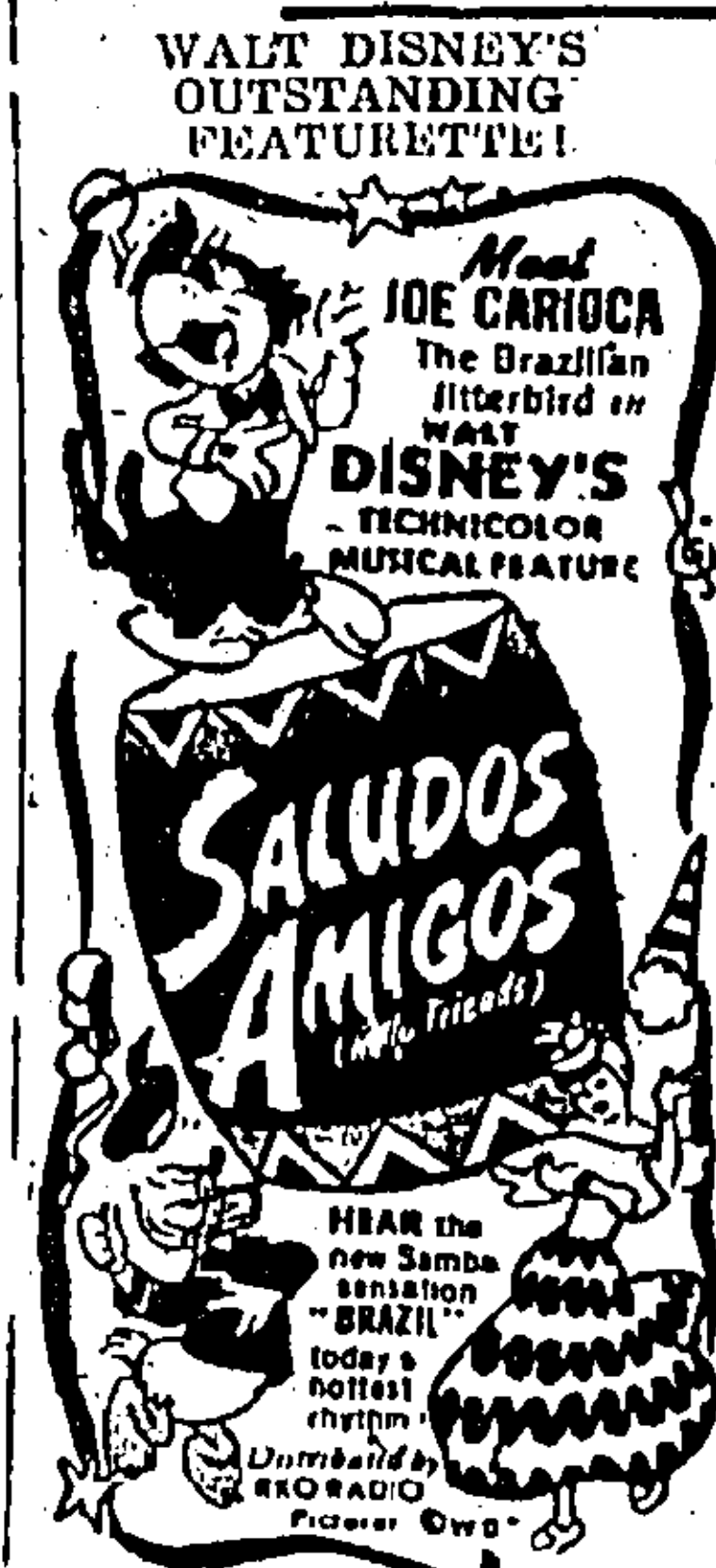
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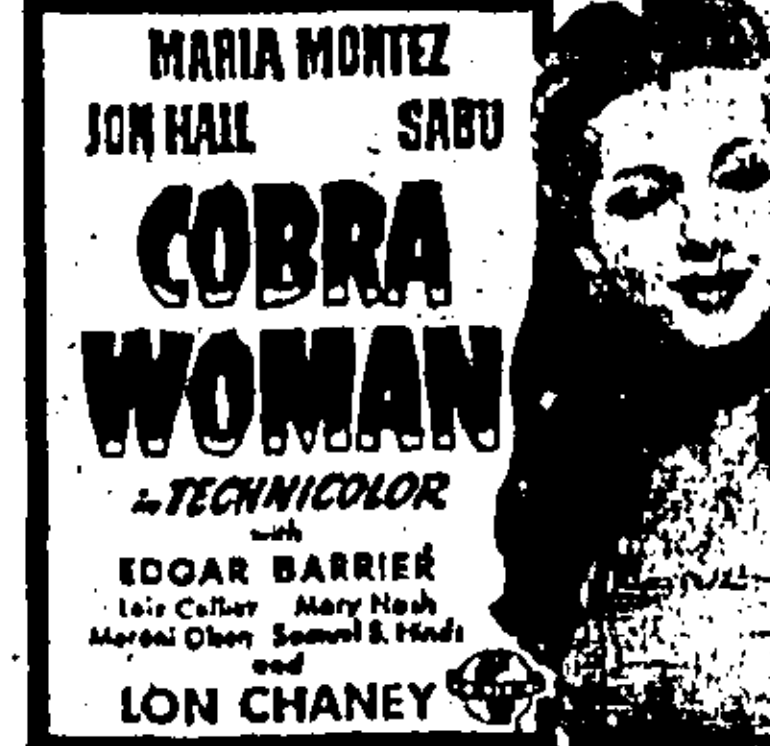
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Washington, Aug. 17.

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N.Y. STOCK MARKET

New York, Aug. 16.
Closing stock market quotations:
Adams Express 19 1/2, Alaska Juneau 7, American Can 100 1/2, American Smelting 61 1/2, American Telephone 19 1/2, American Waterworks 22 1/2, Anaconda Copper 45 1/2, Aviation Corporation 30 1/2, Baldwin Locomotive 30 1/2, Barnsdall 23 1/2, Bendix Aviation 45 1/2, Boeing Aircraft 28 1/2, Borden Co. 51 1/2, Canadian Pacific 18 1/2, J. I. Case 46, Chrysler 116 1/2, Colgate 56 1/2, Commercial Solvent 26 1/2, Corn Products 67, Dupont de Nemours 210, Eastman Kodak 235, Electric Light & Power 23 1/2, General Electric 45 1/2, General Motors 68 1/2, Goodrich 77 1/2, Goodyear 67 1/2, Homestake Mining 41 1/2, International Harvester 92 1/2, International Paper 49 1/2, International Tel. & Tel. 22 1/2, Johns Manville 135, Kennecott Copper 56 1/2, Montgomery Ward 78 1/2, National Distillers 20 1/2, National Lead 36 1/2, New York Central 22 1/2, Packard Motors 87 1/2, Pan-American Airways 18 1/2, Pennsylvania RR 37 1/2, Radio Corporation 13 1/2, Republic Steel 73 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco 42 1/2, Schenley 98, Shell Oil 37 1/2, Socony Vacuum 17 1/2, Southern Pacific 61 1/2, Standard Brands 45 1/2, Standard Oil of Calif. 58 1/2, Standard Oil of N.J. 77 1/2, Studebaker 31 1/2, Union Bag 35 1/2, Union Carbide 11 1/2, U.S. Steel 89 1/2, U.S. Rubber 71, Westinghouse 30 1/2, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 79 1/2.—Associated Press.

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London Stock Exchange

London, Aug. 16.

Today's stock market was particularly uneventful, even for a weekend.

Although trading was reduced to negligible amounts the market finished firm.

Trading in South African gold mines was disappointing in view of the fact that labour troubles had been settled. Operations in this section were mostly professional.

Copper shares continued to reflect the strike situation and prices moved down under Cape offerings and the absence of local interest.

A few switching operations comprised the main business in British funds while the foreign bond market was featureless.

In a quiet industrial market, small gains predominated with Iron, steel, breweries and oils chiefly concerned.

Home rails were neglected but Argentine issues were firmer, helped by reports of a possible statement soon by the British Mission to the Argentine.

Consols, 2 1/2 per cent 1945/75 97, Conversion Loan, 3 3/4 per cent 112 1/2, War Loan, 3 1/2 per cent 108 1/2, New War Loan, 3 per cent 106 1/2, Victory Bonds, 4 per cent 118 1/2, Gorman Loan, 7 per cent (Dawes) 11, Japanese Bonds, 5 per cent, 1907 22, Canton-Kowloon Railway 20, Tientsin Pukow Railway, 5 per cent 25, Lung-Tsing U. Hai Rly. 5 per cent, 1913 (London Iss) 49, Crisp Loan, 5 per cent, 1911 49, Hukang Railway, 5 per cent, 1911 27, Honan Railway, 5 per cent, 1906 30, Shanghai-Nanking Railway, 5 per cent 27, Mercantile Bank of India, "A" 22, Chartered Bank of I. A. & C. 13 1/2, H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corporation 90 1/2, Lydenburg Estates 120 1/2, South Africa Townships 30/9, Selection Trust 49/4, South Africa Transvaal 12 1/2, Canadian Pacific 22 1/2, Mexican Eagles 14 1/2.—Reuter.

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES

London, Aug. 16.
Day to Day Loan 1/2 per cent.
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COTTON FUTURES

New York, Aug. 16.
Cotton futures drifted lower on light commission house selling. Some of the selling was attributed to reports of good rains in the southern sections of Oklahoma where it was badly needed.

October 35.90, December 35.93-95, March 35.90, May 35.45 bid, July 34.93-37, Oct. 31.65.
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London, Aug. 16.

Industrials 153.4, Knifirs 116.8, Home Rails 93.1, Commodity 284.1.—Reuter.

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S.S. "MAUSANG"	from Sandakan 18th Aug.
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The allocations included Luckenbach, 8; American Mail, 6; Moore McCormack, 4; Pacific Transport, 3; Olympic, 3; and Lykes Brothers, 1.
The C-3 is a 12,500-ton vessel, 492 feet long, turbine driven and capable of 16½ knots. It can accommodate 12 passengers and a crew of 52. Twenty-two of the 64 ships are at present operating. The others are still operating as Army and Navy transports, to which they were converted during the war.—Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 17.
Opening the conference of Empire Air Advisers in Wellington today, the New Zealand Defence Minister, Mr. Frederick Jones, said that details for the organisation of a Commonwealth Pacific and South Pacific regional air service would be considered. The problems involved would not necessarily be examined solely from the Empire viewpoint.—Reuter.

And Still They're Called Weaker Sex

London, Aug. 17.
The possibility of temporarily changing baby boys into girls to give them a better chance of long life was suggested by Professor F. A. Crew, of Britain, at a London conference when British and European scientists discussed problems of longer human life.

Professor Crew, who was quoted by the authoritative British Medical Journal, "The Lancet," was speaking at the conference, which was called by the British branch of the Club for Research on Ageing. He pointed out that the male infant has a much poorer chance of survival than the female and asked whether a sex hormone preparation could be used temporarily to transform a male infant into a female and so get over this danger period.

Dr. V. Korotkevich, Honorary Secretary of the Club, said that the aim of gerontology—the science of ageing—was not merely to achieve a longer life, but a stronger one.

Since ageing starts very early in life, the whole life span, including the prenatal stages, must be studied. He said that rejuvenation by such method as Dr. Voronoff's glandular grafts, or the serum used by Professor Bogomoletz has proved unsatisfactory, since they achieved only a temporary stimulation.

The aim of research must be to discover and remove the causes of premature ageing and not to stimulate degenerated tissues. The conference passed resolutions proposing international cooperation, the establishment of permanent institutions for research and the provision of ample funds to secure these facilities, one delegate remarking that much public money was being spent on providing homes for old people, but the urgent need was for money to be spent on preventive measures, which meant research.—Reuter.

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7.30 p.m.—"We Play for You"—Patricia Rossborough & Robinson Cleaver.
7.50 p.m.—The Mills Brothers.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
8.15 p.m.—"From the Shows"—Light Opera.
8.45 p.m.—Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.
9.00 p.m.—"Songs We Love."
9.15 p.m.—Z.B.W. "Proms" No. 30.
Debussy—"La Mer" Suite.
Ravel—"Jeux d'Eau"—Symphonic Suite "Daphnis and Chloe."
Debussy—"Arabesques Nos. 1 and 2"—"Poissons d'Or."
Ravel—"Three songs for unaccompanied mixed chorus."
Debussy—"Prelude a l'Après-midi d'un Faune."
Ravel—"Bolero."
10.45 p.m.—Studio: Sunday Evening Epilogue—Rev. T. Doody, S.J.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Britain And America Reject French Plan

Berlin, Aug. 17.
The French Government's counter-proposals to the United States plan for German economic unity, which Britain supports, were rejected by the British and United States representatives at today's meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee of the Control Council in Berlin.

U.S. Art On View At The Tate

London, Aug. 17.
More than 100,000 people visited the exhibition of American paintings on view at the Tate Gallery from June 14 to Aug. 5.

The Tate Gallery's director said today that the 250 works loaned from United States collections formed the most representative exhibition of American paintings ever held—more so than the interesting collection of three centuries of American art shown in Paris in 1938.

"We are extremely grateful to the National Gallery of Art for providing this beautiful exhibition," he added, "and we are very satisfied with the results. There can be little doubt that not only has it greatly enlarged and enriched our appreciation, but has also proved a positive contribution to the strengthening of cultural relations between Great Britain and the United States."—Reuter.

The British spokesman pointed out that the British, although rejecting the French counter-proposals, were nevertheless prepared to review them if the French made some revisions.

The United States representatives declared the French had introduced nothing new and flatly rejected them. The Russians made no comment.

The French had proposed through General Noriet that economic unity, as proposed by General McNarney (United States), and accepted by Britain, could be achieved through the use of Allied agencies for such functions as trade, industry, finance and food, instead of allowing the Germans to run them as the British and Americans planned.

The British objection to the French counter-plan, as expressed by General Robertson, was that the arrangement would strip the agencies of executive power and lead to a considerable argument; that the Germans were in a better position to know their own economy and make best use of it, and that a much enlarged staff would have to be found to carry out the French plan.

General Robertson stressed that if the British were prepared to review any French revisions in the plan such arrangement would be made on the understanding that it would be without prejudice to any arrangements which were already made by the British with the Americans.

Although Russia took no part in the discussions, the British spokesman expressed his own views that he was optimistic that Russia would eventually join in on a four-power unity basis. The big difficulty was that Russia would like to see political, as well as economic, unity for all zones, while the British and Americans at present want only economic unity.—Reuter.

"WITHDRAW FROM CHINA"

New York, Aug. 17.
Thirty-six New York professors today sent a telegram to President Harry Truman urging the withdrawal of United States military forces from China and expressing "severe shock" over the assassinations of Professors Lee Kung-po and Wen in Kunming. Similar messages were also sent to Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

The messages said: "The recent assassination, with Kuomintang approval, of two outstanding professors, Lee Kung-po and Wen, in Kunming for free expression of their opinions comes as a severe shock to the American academic world. Professor Wen, a noted scholar of Chinese literature, an outstanding poet and a graduate of the University of Chicago, was known to his students for his wise counsel. After the assassination of his colleague, Professor Lee Kung-po, he made a defiant memorial speech and was himself assassinated four hours later."

"We professors of the colleges and universities of New York City feel that this serious state of affairs must end and, in the interest of a united democratic China, the American forces should immediately be withdrawn and all financial and military aid withheld until the establishment of a democratic coalition government."

The 36 professors are members of the staffs of New York University, Columbia, and Queen's College.—Associated Press.

IMPROVED HOTELS

Inverness, Aug. 17.
Mr. Hugh Dalton, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said here today that he hoped that improved roads and better hotels would bring visitors to the Highlands, because he wanted to conserve foreign exchange and to induce the people to holiday at home and not in Switzerland and other European countries.—Reuter.

"PROTEST"

The Hague, Aug. 17.
A protest by the Netherlands "National League" to Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, the text of which was disclosed in The Hague today, declared that British policy in Indonesia "threatens the honour of the British flag and the British Empire."
The League is an organisation supporting a National and Imperial policy aiming at the restoration of prosperity and the maintenance of unity with Netherlands overseas territories.—Reuter.

K.C.Bs. For Three Chinese Generals

Shanghai, Aug. 17.
The British Government has decided to honour three of China's well-known military leaders with the K.C.B. (Order of Knight Commander of the Bath) in appreciation of their services in the prosecution of the war against the common enemy, according to semi-official Chinese reports quoting "diplomatic sources" in Nanking.
Two of the honoured leaders are General Fu Chung-hai, and Li Tsung-jen, both natives of Kwangsi, and the other is General Cheng Chien, formerly Chief of the General Staff.
All three played a great part in China's successful war of resistance against the Japanese.
General Fu is today Minister of National Defence, General Li is Director of the Generalissimo's Headquarters in Peiping, and General Cheng is Director of the Generalissimo's Headquarters in Wuhan area (Hankow, Hanyang and Wuchang).—Reuter.

"RICE PATROLS"

Singapore, Aug. 17.
The Director-General of Siamese Customs has announced that four submarine chasers have begun special patrols to stop rice smugglers. The smugglers' boats are equipped with radio and some are believed to be armed. The Siamese authorities have also banned the movement of rice stocks in the provinces adjacent to Malaya except by land, in a further attempt to check the smuggling.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAVIA'S NOTE

London, Aug. 17.
A summary of the latest Yugoslav note has now been received in London, a Foreign Office spokesman states today, but a full version has not yet arrived.

The note which was published in full from Belgrade two days ago protests against the behaviour of the Allied Military Government authorities last week in the zone of Venezia Giulia, part of the Yugoslav frontier province occupied by British and United States troops.

In particular the note protests against the alleged eviction from the zone of some Yugoslav officers under the command of Major Vladimir Despot, who was arrested by the British.—Reuter.

WIDOW SENT TO PRISON

Sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed on a 25-year-old widow, Chau Bing, by Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday for larceny by finding of clothing to the value of \$1,000 on Friday.

It was stated that during a burglary at No. 14, Shelly Street, the residence of Mr. Chow Ching-chi, manager of the China Emporium, clothing to the value of \$2,405 was stolen on Aug. 14.

Mr. Chow the next day identified a bed sheet in a hawker's stall. Further enquiries revealed that the hawker bought the articles from the accused.

Accused admitted that while she was in Shelly Street on Wednesday last, she saw a man drop the bag of clothing and she picked it up. Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

SPORTS SECTION Weather Holds Up The Test Match

London, Aug. 17.
Persistent rain reduced the Oval ground to such a bad state that no play was possible before lunch in the third cricket Test between England and India today. Even if the rain ceases immediately there are only remote prospects of play today, despite the drying qualities of the Oval wicket.

Thousands protected by umbrellas, mackintoshes awaiting entry, almost encircled the ground, but only ticket holders were admitted. Under Test Match rules, the

COUNTY CRICKET

London, Aug. 16.
Results of county cricket matches which ended today were:
At Derby: Northamptonshire 150 and 187 for three (Davis 71 not out, Barron 57 not out) beat Derbyshire 200 and 126 by seven wickets.

At Leicester: Leicestershire 166 and 199 for five (Jackson 68) beat Sussex 168 and 205 by five wickets.

At Coventry: Lancashire 160 and 102 for four (Place 52 not out) beat Warwickshire 134 and 127 (Roberts five for 49, Garlick five for 46) by six wickets.

At Weston-super-Mare: Somersetshire 201 and 169 beat Worcestershire 102 and 233 (Singleton 51, Howarth 65) by 35 runs.

At Clucton: Nottinghamshire 363 and 149 (Simpson 54, Ray Smith seven for 56) drew with Essex 364 for seven declared and 14 for one.

At Cheltenham: Gloucestershire 132 and 297 for seven declared (Wilson 59, Barnett 101, Bedser four for 72) beat Surrey 140 and 236 (Gregory 87, Goddard nine for 82) by 55 runs.—Reuter.

YACHT RACE

The United Services (H.K.) Yacht Club's race in a gentle breeze went well for the first two laps, but the third round in a falling wind was too much for the heavier boats yesterday.

Out of 15 starters, six finished, four fouled marks, one had a mishap and four rows or were towed home. The mishap, unfortunately, resulted in the Club favourite, "Queen," dropping her plate to the bottom of the harbour.

"Bonaventure II" added to the chapter of accidents by capsizing in a mix-up at the moorings and tearing the peak of her sail.

Results were:
1. Green (Coates) 2.28.05
2. Tyne II (Lacey) 2.38.45
3. Euryalus (Howitt) 2.41.15
4. Duke of York I 2.41.50
5. Red (Dushall) 2.42.40
6. Duke of York II 2.48.00 (Howard)

Burma Currency

Rangoon, Aug. 17.
Burma will have its own currency, managed and controlled by a Currency Board, consisting of five members, two of whom will be Burmans, from next April.

The Board will be established in London in October. The exchange value of the Burma rupee in terms of sterling will be the same as the present Indian rupee (One shilling and six pence about 80 cents).

Burma's currency is at present managed by the Reserve Bank of India as agents for the Governor.—Reuter.

CONSTELLATIONS FLY AGAIN

London, Aug. 17.
The giant United States Constellation air liner, grounded in July because of accidents, are to resume Atlantic flights. The Constellation Clipper Bermuda, due at London airport on Tuesday, will re-inaugurate the service. Pan-American Airways announced today.

The principal modifications made during the 40-day grounding period, include electrical equipment replacement and alterations in hydraulic systems.—Reuter.

GOVERNOR'S FUND SWIMMING GALA

A swimming gala in aid of "The Governor's Fund" will be held in the fresh water swimming pool at Gun Club Hill, Chatham Road, Kowloon, on Saturday Sept. 7, commencing at 5.30 p.m. under the auspices of 1 Travancore Infantry.

Competitions in 50 yds (free style), 200 yds breast stroke, Plunging, 100 yds back stroke, 100 yds relay (4 x 25 yds), 150 yds medley relay (3 x 50 yds), and picking up plates will be held. Those interested are cordially invited to get in touch with the Sports Officer, 1 Travancore Infantry (Tel. 59666).

Competitions are open both to civilians and Service personnel. There will be heats on Sept. 3 at a time to be announced later. Entrance fee for each competitor is 50 cents.

There will be a water polo match between the Chung Sing Team and a combined Services Team. Other interesting side-shows also will be arranged for the entertainment of spectators.

H. E. Sir Mark Young, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Hong Kong, has kindly consented to be present.

Tickets may be obtained from H. Q. 1 Travancore Infantry, Gun Club Hill, Chatham Road, Kowloon on or after Aug. 30, at \$5.

SWIMMING RECORD

New Brighton, Aug. 16.
G. Vallery, 18-year-old French swimmer, broke the British 150 yards men's back stroke record, which he himself set up yesterday, when he won the final in the British amateur swimming championships, which were continued here today. His time was one minute 38.5 seconds.

Another British record was broken when Nancy Raich, Scottish champion, won the women's 220 yards free style title in two minutes 36 seconds, which was one-fifth of a second better than the previous record.—Reuter.

Albany, N.Y., Aug. 17.
Ray (Sugar) Robinson, of New York, 151 pounds, tuned up for his coming welterweight championship fight with Marty Servo by knocking out Vinnie Vines, 153 pounds, of Schnectady, New York, in the sixth round of their scheduled 10 rounder.—Associated Press.

Inter-School Soccer Prospects

(By "Referee")

At a dinner of the Rehabilitation Football League some time ago, Mr. W. M. Thomson, Chairman of the Board of Control, expressed his great desire and hope for the revival of Inter-school football in the Colony and the erection of a concrete stand able to accommodate the thousands who attend the football games every week-end.

The appeal for school football did not fall on deaf ears, for at the first meeting of the Council of the Football Association the matter was discussed at length and it was decided that the Football Association should make every effort to revive these competitions.

Promises of assistance was not slow in coming. Several clubs were prepared to place their grounds at the disposal of the schools, if needed. Referees and linesmen were prepared to officiate at the games and a number of ex-interceptors offered to give lectures and coach some of the teams.

A meeting was held recently at which representatives of the Hong Kong Football Association and the Education Department were present. At this meeting the various aspects of such a competition were discussed and it was decided to invite entries from the various schools and to run two competitions, a Senior and a Junior, confined to boys 14 years of age on a fixed date.

It was also decided that the Junior Competition start first and the Senior Competition at a later date. It was stressed at

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